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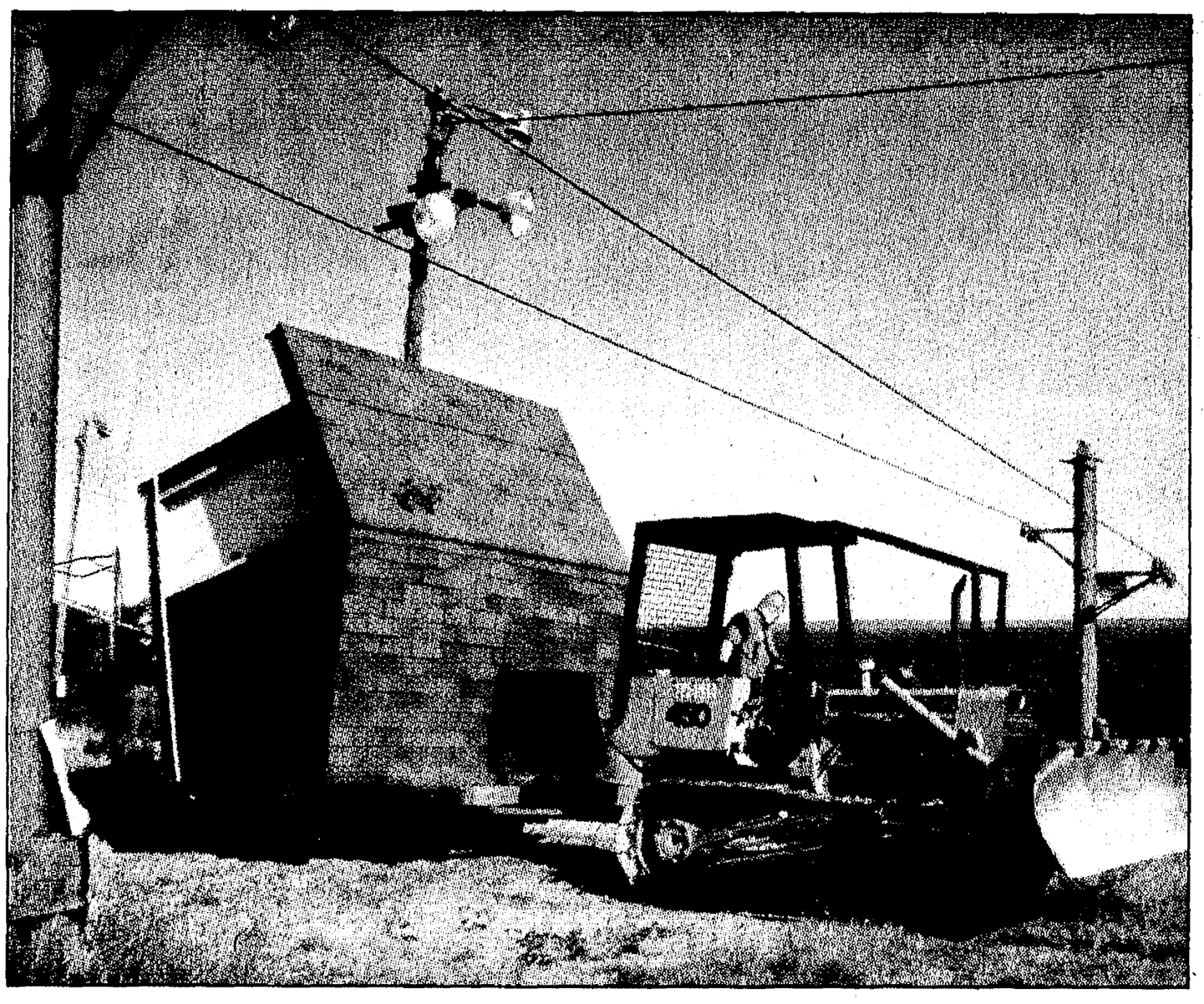

Photo courtesy of Hanson Hills

Hanson Hills Recreation Area is getting ready for the 2004-05 winter season. Maintenance has been hard at work hanging a brand new tow rope for the ski hill, and redesigning the terrain park. Also in the works is a few re-routes on the cross country ski trails and development of a snowshoe trail that will prove to be enjoyable for all. Currie Cormier (Grayling Automotive) guides a tow shack into its new home on top of the hill.

Doctors working through flu vaccine shortage

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Elderly residents and parents of infants in Crawford County are urged to go to their family doctors to help shoo the flu.

A nationwide shortage of flu vaccine has caused the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to alter its guidelines for who should be vaccinated this flu season.

Chiron Corporation, a major manufacturer of flu vaccine, will not be distributing any influenza vaccine this flu season because the firm was shut down by the British government due to regulatory concerns. Chiron was to make 46 to 48 million doses of flu vaccine for the United States.

The vaccine shortage has caused Mercy Hospital Grayling, the Crawford County Health Department and Glen's Markets to cancel annual community flu vaccination clinics.

Mercy Hospital is reserving its limited supply of flu vaccine for the hospital's employees and other health-care related workers involved in direct patient contact.

"Mercy Hospital has the obligation to protect its workers so that we do not transmit influenza to the high-risk population we serve, and so that we can stay healthy ourselves in order to continue to serve the community," said Diane Nielsen, the marketing and communications coordinator for Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The existing flu vaccine supply is being given to people who are at the greatest risk of serious complications from the flu.

People 65 years of age and older and children between 6 and 23 months are urged to get vaccinated. Adults and children 2 years of age and older with chronic lung or heart disorders including heart disease and asthma are also encouraged to go to their doctors office for the vaccine.

Women who expect to be pregnant during the influenza season should get the vaccine.

Healthy people 2 to 64 years or age are asked to postpone or skip getting a flu shot this year so that available vaccines can go to protect those at greater risk for flu complications.

In fact, the Michigan Department of Community Health has issued a Public Health Threat Order, punishing physicians with a misdemeanor criminal offense or imprisonment if a vaccine is given to a patient who is not high risk for the flu.

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Lawsuit settlement with city allows two billboards

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Two billboards will soon be visible in the Grayling skyline after the settlement of a federal lawsuit by city officials.

The Grayling City Council at its regular meeting last week settled a suit filed in U.S. District Court by Lamar Advertising Company, a company which sells advertising on billboards.

Lamar Advertising filed the suit against the city after the Grayling Planning Commission denied two requests for billboards in the city, claiming city officials denied the company's First Amendment Rights.

The planning commission denied a request for a billboard which would have been located near the Admiral Gas Station on September 16, 2003.

A second request for a billboard, which would have been located downtown near the former Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, was denied by planners on November 20, 2003.

Lamar filed the suit because there was no language in the city's ordinance to prevent billboards at those locations.

Although city planners have been working on a sign ordinance for the last several months, the ordinance was only approved by the Grayling City Council on March 29, 2004. The ordinance has since been amended several times.

Now, Lamar Advertising will be able to erect a two-sided billboard on the Admiral Gas Station site. The company will also be able to have another billboard within city limits, most likely on M-72 East or West in exchange for not having the billboard in the central business district. The company has two years to secure a site for the second billboard.

"Lamar is very pleased with the result in this case," said Ronald F. Kibler, vice president and general manager for Lamar Advertising Company's Traverse City office. "Local businesses are the main users of outdoor advertising. Lamar now has additional capabilities to contribute to the economy of Grayling and the surrounding area."

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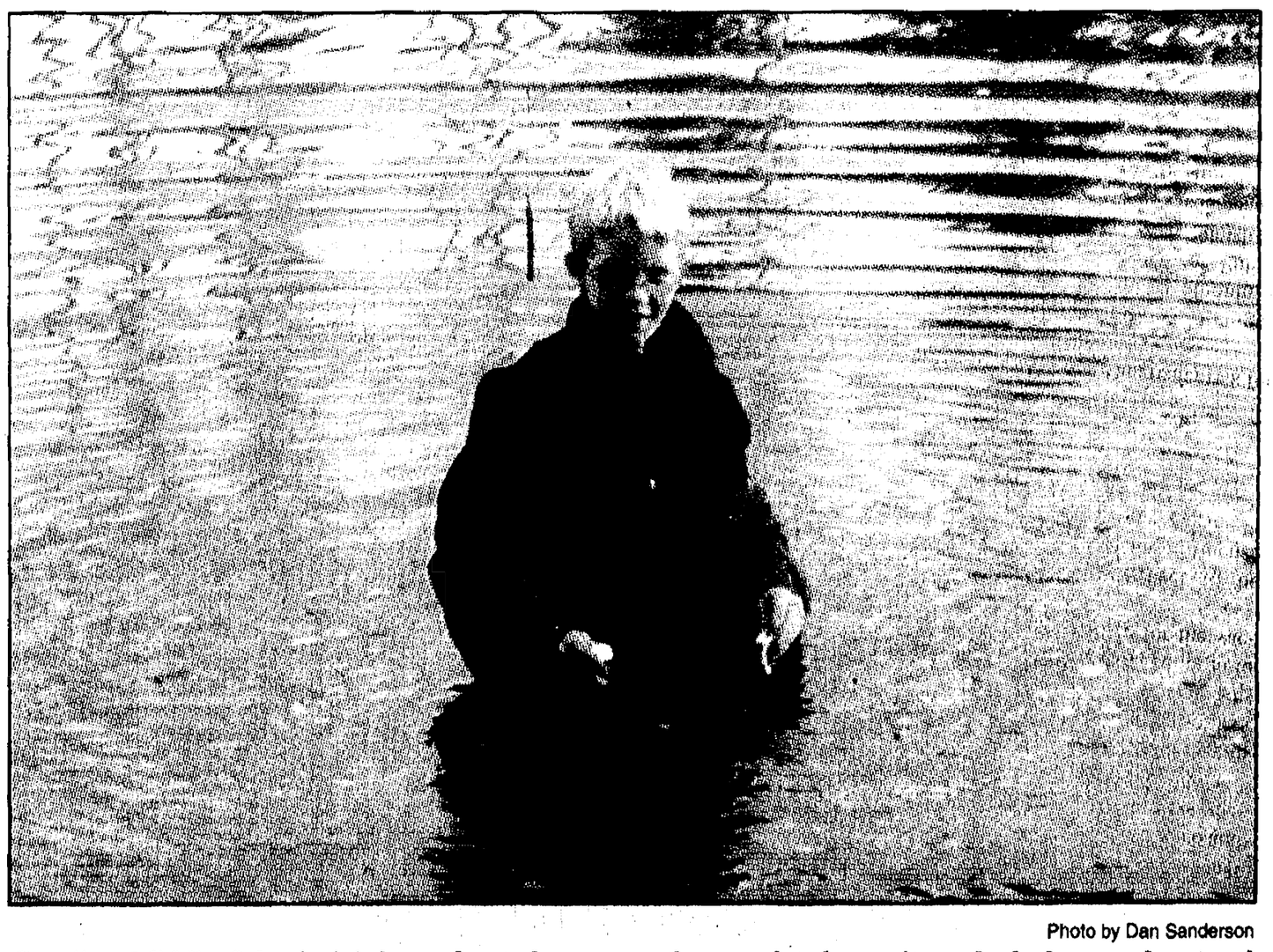

Photo by Dan Sanderson

Grayling Middle School eighth grade students recently completed a unit on hydrology and natural resources with officials from the Huron Pines Resource and Conservation District by comparing the state of the AuSable River in several locations in the county. Above, Frankie McLeod, 13, takes a water temperature reading while wading in the pond at the city park.

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Lawsuit settlement with city allows two billboards

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The city council approved the lawsuit settlement by a 4-to-1 vote. Mayor Joe Ferrigan, and Council Members Larry Akers, Kim McClain and Roger Moshier voted for the settlement. Dennis Palmer cast the lone no vote.

Lawyers for Lamar Advertising and the city's liability insurance carrier entered into agreement following a settlement conference.

"The judge pretty much told us that we didn't have a leg to stand on," Ferrigan said.

Palmer, Ferrigan and McClain are former members of the city's planning commission.

Palmer said he simply did not agree with the move to settle the legal matter. "I just didn't like the feel of it," he said.

Grayling is one of the latest communities in the state to go the battle with the billboard industry, said Abby Dart, director of education outreach for Scenic Michigan, a non-profit organization based in Petoskey which works to enhance the scenic beauty of Michigan's communities and roadside.

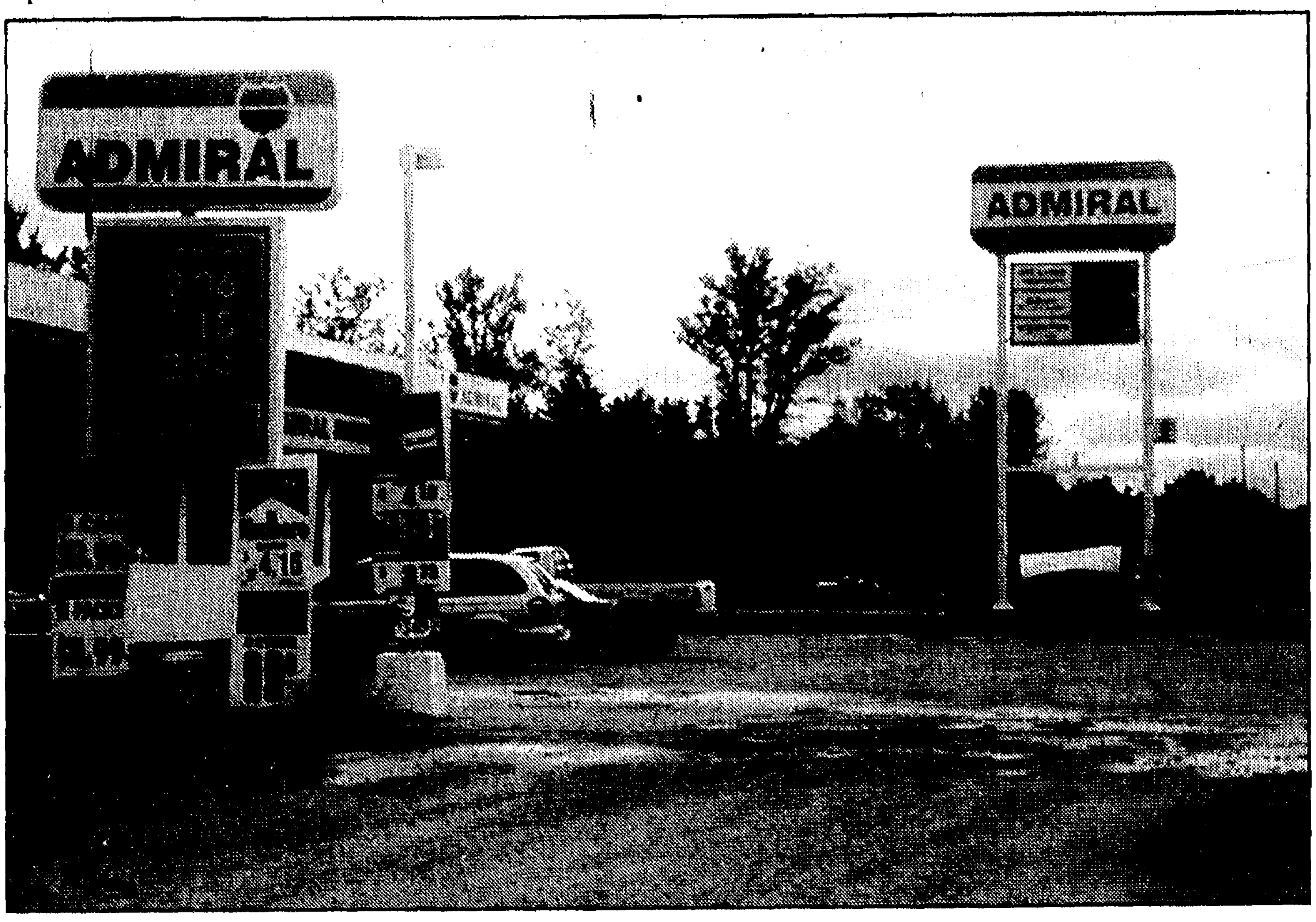
Dart said Scenic Michigan offers model sign ordinances to communities to address billboards and also seeks funds to pay lawyers who intervene in federal lawsuits such as the one settled by the Grayling City Council.

"These lawsuits are very expensive to defend," Dart said.

"It's very expensive and time consuming and municipalities just aren't equipped to do that so that's an area where we look to continue to work in."

In addition, Dart said that Scenic Michigan will continue to focus on a recommendation from the Michigan Land Use Council appointed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm to balance the interest of business and preserving scenic view and vistas seen from the roadway.

"We hope that debate will continue and we're going to do our best to see that it is," Dart said.



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The settlement of a federal lawsuit will allow the erection of two billboards within the Grayling city limits including one on the Admiral Gas Station property.

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City to forge ahead with storm water retrofit fix

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A project which will filter pollutants from flowing into the AuSable River through the city's storm water sewer system will move forward this fall.

The Grayling City Council at its regular meeting last week awarded $313,354 bid to M & M Excavating of Gaylord to do the first phase of the storm water sewer project.

The council at its last meeting in September had awarded the bid to M & M Excavating, but later rescinded the contract approval because city engineers recommended replacing a sewer line on Fulton Street and an undersized water line on Lawndale Street in conjunction with the work.

Two small retention basins are due to be built on Fulton and Lawndale Streets as part of the storm water project and officials do not want to tear up the basins in future years to replace the water and sewer mains.

"We wanted it done this year, but we couldn't fit it in the budget and get it in," Grayling Mayor Joe Ferrigan said.

Now, the work on Lawndale and Fulton Streets will be done at the end of the project to give city officials and engineers time to plan for the sewer and water work and to find funds to pay for the work.

The retention basins will either be eliminated from the contract or M & M Excavating will add the water and sewer line work to the project next spring.

"It's really a timing issue right now," said Mark Hurley, a project engineer from Gosling Czubak, the city's engineering firm.

The retention basins on Lawndale and Fulton Streets also could be added to the second or third phases of the project.

Brad Jansen, the executive director of the Huron Pines Resource and Conservation District, said the project to retrofit the city's storm water system is expected to be completed in 2006.

The Department of Environmental Quality has awarded the city a $758,000 grant to retrofit the city's storm water system to filter the pollutants which are currently going into the river after heavy rain storms and snow melts.

The city is matching the project with $127,000 in local funds.

"This is an innovative project because we're looking at the whole city implementing best management practices through the whole community to treat the storm water," Jansen said.

Doctors working through flu vaccine shortage

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"At this time there is no guarantee that vaccine supplies will be adequate for coverage of all eligible people in high-risk categories," said Linda VanGillis, the health officer for District Health Department #10. "As a result, the health departments will be assessing risk on an individual basis, county by county. We hope to receive additional vaccine to cover those who are in the high risk categories and will have better handle on that next month."

District Health Department #10 has received half of the vaccine it was supposed to get. A waiting list will be implemented at the health departments - by risk category - for people who can not get a flu shot from their physician.

"Our goal is to immunize those at greatest risk and we will partner with our local providers in this effort," VanGillis said.

Dr. Donald Burkley, M.D., at the Grayling Family Practice, said the clinic has 2,200 doses of vaccine available because the clinic does not use Chiron Corporation as their supplier.

"I anticipate that we will have enough vaccine to take care of our needs for those who are qualified for it," Burkley said. "Since we are not providing immunizations to healthy people, we are going to share our vaccine with Mercy Hospital and with Grayling Nursing Centre to help cover their patients."

Preventive measures to avoid the flu include hand washing, avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth and avoiding contact with those who are sick. Those people who are sick need to cover their mouth when coughing or sneezing and to stay home from school or work to prevent others from getting sick.

"While vaccination is the best preventive tool we currently have to prevent influenza, old-fashioned common sense will also provide good protection," said Dr. James Wilson, the medical director for District Health Department #10.

Flu symptoms include high fever (102-104) lasting 3 to 4 days, headache, chills, body aches, tiredness to the point to exhaustion and a dry cough. Symptoms may also include a sore throat and nasal congestion which are more specific to a cold.

If you get influenza, the best treatment is to get plenty or rest, drink plenty of liquids and avoid alcohol and tobacco. Over the counter medications may be able to relieve the symptoms. Parents are encouraged to use acetaminophen for children and teenagers and to avoid aspirin use to prevent complication of Ryes Syndrome.

Additional information on the current influenza vaccine shortage, preventive measures and treatment can be obtained at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web site at: www.cdc.gov/flu.

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High winds, wet snow downs trees

Lineworker crews restored power late Sunday to an estimated 1,100 Great Lakes Energy customers in parts of Crawford and Otsego Counties following a storm Saturday.

A storm Saturday night that brought high winds and heavy, wet snow left about 8,000 Great Lake Energy customers without electricity.

Customers in Emmet, Antrim, Crawford, Kalkaska, Otsego, Charlevoix, Osceola, Kent, Newaygo, Barry, Oceana and Mason Counties were effected by the storm damage.

By Sunday night, lineworker crews, assisted by the electric cooperative's 24-hour dispatch center, were able to get the remaining estimated 1,100 customer back on line in parts of Otsego and Crawford Counties. The damage is those areas was more severe due to several inches of wet snow and high winds that toppled trees and limbs into power lines, said Dave Guzniczak, spokesperson for Great Lakes Energy.

Library receives $15,000 donation

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

In a completely unexpected move, library benefactor Leslie Devereaux recently donated more money to the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library. Library Director Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson said she was opening the mail and found a check from Leslie for $15,000.

Mansfield-Sanderson will be using this donation to improve conditions at the library for the physically challenged.

In addition to purchasing more large print books and audio books, Mansfield-Sanderson plans to purchase a battery powered hand-held magnifier with a light to allow visually impaired patrons to be able to read the titles on the audio books more easily.

Mansfield-Sanderson also hopes to purchase a desk top which sits on top of wheelchair arms for a wireless laptop computer. This would allow patrons in wheelchairs to move around instead of being confined to one spot in the library while using a computer.

She also plans to purchase extra software for visually challenged patrons.

Any physically challenged member of the community, who has suggestions for items that would make a visit to the library easier and more productive, should contact Mansfield-Sanderson at 348-9214.

Leslie Devereaux, with Ed Parks, at the dedication of the new library in May 2002

Library officers named

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The officers for the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library for the next fiscal year are: President Loretta Hasson, Vice President Barbara Clark Greene, Financial Officer Carol Raybuck and Secretary Jim Smith.

Board members thanked outgoing President Ray Priebe, whose appointment to the board ended with the October meeting.

A new board member is expected to be appointed at the next County Commissioners meeting to be held October 20. Three people have applied for the position.

Signs may help point way to rural attractions

by Amanda Wrenn
Capital News Service

Northern Michigan business owners could see an increase in tourism if a bill allowing road signs for tourism-related businesses in rural areas becomes law.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, would let operators of tourist attractions put up directional signs on rural roads with local government approval.

Currently, tourism-related signs are prohibited on roads not regulated by the Michigan Department of Transportation. MDOT regulates interstates and Michigan highways but not county or township roads, said Rise Rasch, MDOT Northern Michigan regional director.

Businesses are allowed to post directional signs on a rural road if there's a larger sign for the same business on an interstate or Michigan highway, said Mike Kovalchick, general manager for Michigan Logos Inc. His company is under contract with MDOT to evaluate proposed tourism-related sign locations before the department gives final approval. If MDOT approves the site, the company can also charge the business to erect and maintain the signs.

Lisa Scott-Miller, manager of Leelanau Wine Cellar in Leelanau, said directional signs would help travelers find their way not only to her business, but also around Leelanau Peninsula because it's so spread out.

"We would love directional signs," she said. "We have a sign with our name on it but no billboards, and we want to keep it that way."

Often confused with billboards, directional signs are "less of an eyesore" said Joe Agostinelli, Allen's legislative aide. The signs look like the blue-and-white, 2-by-6 foot signs now found near interstate exits.

Any tourism-related business in a rural area that gets approval from the local government is eligible for a sign, Agostinelli said. The signs would have a spin off benefit for all tourist attractions in an area, he added.

The Senate Committee on Transportation approved the bill earlier this month. The bill will now go to the full Senate for consideration.

Local zoning administrator named to state board

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The Frederic Township board appointed township Zoning Administrator Doug Pratt to the state zoning board of review for the Manistee River natural rivers zoning. The natural rivers zoning is expected to go into effect sometime this winter.

Township Supervisor Bill Johnson said the township is working to get control of the Upper Manistee River back in the township.

If the township ordinances match the approved natural rivers plan, the township keeps control. The Frederic Township zoning ordinances will not need to be changed very much to be in alignment with the natural rivers zoning.

Frederic Township Zoning Board of Appeals chair Mark Allen was named as an alternate to the state board.

The state zoning board of review meets to either approve or deny variance requests for people who own property along the river. They make these decisions only in areas where the ordinances of the local governmental units do not meet the approved natural rivers plan.

COOR board supports funding study

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The COOR Intermediate School District board voted unanimously to adopt a resolution asking for a study of the funding of public education. The resolution will be sent to the State Board of Education and the legislature in Lansing.

COOR Superintendent Robert Jones, said the idea of a one-size-fits-all foundation grant is not realistic.

As an example of what he meant, he said that some districts have to spend a lot of money on busing because their districts are so large, whereas other districts cover a small geographical area and spend far less on busing. The more money spent on busing the less there is to spend on education.

The last study done to determine the financial requirements for adequate funding of public education was in the 1960's.

The study COOR is asking for will include the education of children from birth through twelfth grade. The idea for the resolution came from the Michigan Association of School Administrators and is a statewide effort.

The Crawford AuSable School District board unanimously passed a similar resolution at its October 18 meeting.

Historical Society names officers

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

At their annual membership meeting, the Crawford County Historical Society elected officers for the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

Kay Cosgray was re-elected chair, Steve Doyle was re-elected vice-chair, Barb Greene was elected secretary and Mary Coy was re-elected treasurer.

The group plans to honor Bob Ruddy who recently stepped down as curator due to health problems. He will, however, remain active in the group and continue to work on setting up showcases.

The group set the following goals for the next fiscal year: changing from an admission fee for entrance to the museum to donations; starting a capital campaign; and conducting a major membership drive.

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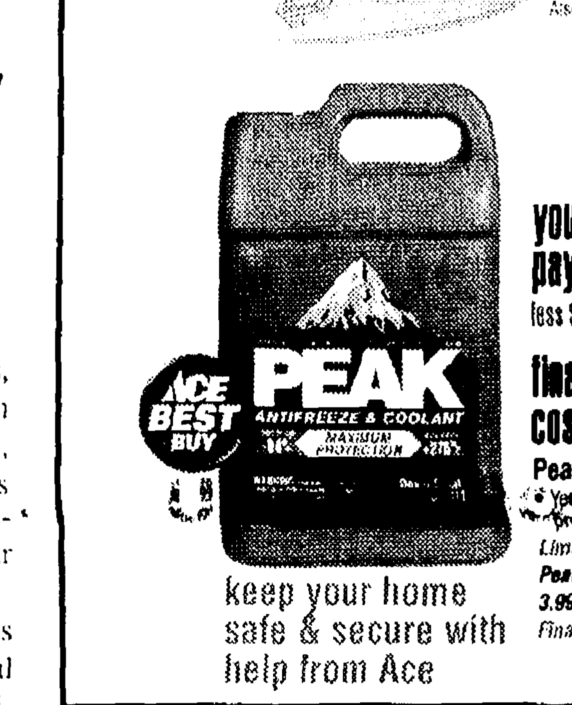

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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

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by Richard Milliman

Education posts at stake on Nov. 2, too

DIRECTIONS FOR Michigan's education future will be influenced greatly by voters in Michigan's November 2 election.

The names and faces of candidates for eight statewide education posts are not nearly as familiar as those of candidates for president and vice president, congress, state legislature, or even for county and township offices – but the education races are important, too.

Two members will be elected to eight year terms on four different eight-member education boards – the State Board of Education, University of Michigan Board of Regents, Michigan State University Board of Trustees, and Wayne State University Board of Governors.

Unfortunately board elections each two years attract minimum public attention. Results usually are greatly influenced by the fate of the top of the ticket. If President Bush wins a big margin in Michigan, then Republican education candidates are more likely to win; if Sen. John Kerry runs extremely well at the top of the ticket, Democrats will do better at the bottom of the ticket.

Here's a brief sketch of major party candidates for these eight education jobs.

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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – Democrats

Marianne Yarard McGuire of Detroit, incumbent. Two grown children. Teacher for 10 years in Grand Rapids and Detroit. Now works at a book store and is a free lance writer. Degrees from Aquinas College and Wayne State University.

Herbert S. Moyer, 76, of Temperance, incumbent. Married, one daughter. Educator for 43 years. Retired superintendent. Degrees from Western Michigan University, Columbia University and doctorate from Wayne State.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – Republicans

Nancy Danhof, 54, of East Lansing. Married, two children. Administrative coordinator for charitable development fund. Former local school board member and president. Active in a variety of statewide education study groups and task forces. Holds teaching certificate. Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University.

Robert Smart, 56, of Grand Rapids. Married. Founder and president of a financial consulting firm. Former legislative staff member. Bachelor's degree from University of Michigan, masters from Michigan State.

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN Board of Regents – Republicans

Patrick Anderson, 45, of Bath. Married, three children. Bachelor's and masters degrees from U of M. Founder of business consulting firm, consultant to numerous private companies and public bodies. Former deputy state budget director.

Carl Meyers, 46, of Dearborn. Married, three children. U of M graduate. Senior vice president of investment firm; 22 years in finance activities.

U OF M REGENTS – Democrats

Olivia P. Maynard, 68, of Goodrich, incumbent. Bachelor's degree from George Washington University, masters from U of M. President of The Michigan Prospect. Taught at U of M, Michigan State. Lieutenant governor candidate in 1990. Former state Democratic Party chair.

S. Martin Taylor, 64, of Grosse Pointe Farms, incumbent. Bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University, law degree Detroit College of Law. Executive vice president for human resources and corporate affairs DTE Energy. Former director state labor department and MESC, and deputy director of state commerce department

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MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Board of Trustees – Republicans

Randall Pittman, 50, of Ann Arbor, incumbent. Married, one daughter. Bachelor's and masters degrees from MSU. Lists occupation as "executive/entrepreneur." Appointed to board in 2002 by then-Governor Engler.

Melanie Foster, 49, of East Lansing. Married, three children. Bachelor's and masters degrees from MSU. Ran family landscape business. Since 1997, trustee at Central Michigan University. As Melanie Reinhold, was appointed to MSU board by then-Gov. Engler, and served 1991-92.

MSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Democrats

Joel Ferguson, 65, of Lansing, incumbent. Separated, five adult children. Bachelor's degree in elementary education from MSU. President of Ferguson Development Corp. Member Democratic National Committee. Elected MSU trustee in 1996.

Phil Thompson, 57, of Owosso. Married. Bachelor's degree from MSU. Executive vice president of Michigan Public Employees/SEIU Local 517M. Elected three terms to Shiawassee County Board of Commissioners.

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WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY Board of Governors – Democrats

Tina Abbott, 60, of Detroit. Married, three children, six grandchildren. Associates degree from Wayne County Community College, certificate in labor studies from Wayne State. Assistance payment worker with the state for 30 years. Active in union and Democratic party work.

Annetta Miller, 83, of Huntington Woods, incumbent. Registered nurse, bachelor's degree in art history, Wayne State. Retired nurse, army nurse during WWII. Volunteer in many arts and school activities in Wayne county.

WAYNE STATE GOVERNORS – Republicans.

Susan Licata Haroutunian, 61, of Detroit. Bachelor's and law degrees from Wayne State. Practicing attorney. Active in bar, political and civic organizations.

Paul Hillegonds, 55, of Plymouth, incumbent. Married, two children. Law degree, Cooley Law School. President of Detroit Renaissance. State representative from Ottawa County 1979-96, former house speaker.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

Prepare your home with winter energy saving tips

As cooler temperatures signal the start of the heating season, here are some suggestions to help prepare your homes for winter and use energy wisely to stay safe and warm this winter:

Schedule a heating system check-up. A qualified contractor will make sure your heating system operates efficiently and delivers the maximum energy savings.

Clean or replace your furnace's air filters as needed during the winter season. Dirty filters block the warm airflow in the home, which causes the furnace to work harder and less economically. Also, check the thermostat to be sure it is working properly. Installing a programmable thermostat may also allow better management of energy use and savings.

Clean and vacuum ducts, vents and heat registers. Make sure there are no leaks in your ductwork and insulate all ducts located in attics and unheated crawlspaces.

Check your fireplace chimney for debris build-up, leaves and animals. Consider installation of screens over your chimney, as well as furnace and dryer vents.

Install a fireplace door to prevent heat from escaping. Homes with gas fireplaces should make sure the flue is partially open to allow fumes from the pilot light to escape.

Place an insulation blanket around older water heaters. Place the water heater on an insulated surface, such as foam. Adjust the water temperature to the warm setting (120 degrees F).

Seal doors and windows with caulk and weather stripping to block unwanted drafts. If caulk cracks and peels away, it allows your home's heat to escape.

Install attic and basement insulation to keep out drafts and make your home more energy efficient and warm. Adding blown cellulose on top of your rolled fiberglass insulation will increase the insulation value of your attic.

Homes with proper humidity levels will provide greater comfort at lower temperatures. When humidity is kept at a proper level - about 35 percent at 70 degrees - windows will not sweat and the air won't feel dry. Replace the humidifier pad or clean it of calcium deposits for best results.

Check heat registers to ensure that drapes or furniture do not block airflow.

WASHINGTON NOTES

By Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

The Right to Vote – Priceless

The Declaration of Independence states that governments derive "their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed." The Constitution begins, "We the People of the United States," and President Abraham Lincoln described our nation in the Gettysburg Address as a "government of the people, by the people and for the people."

A common thread weaves through each of these revered documents - the right of the people to democratic governance. On November 2 in polling places across the country, millions of U.S. citizens will exercise a priceless right - the right to vote.

While the right to vote is often taken for granted, the voting franchise has not always been universal in our country. A brief history of voting in the United States reflects the changes our democracy has experienced in our 228-year history.

The Constitution left it up to the states to decide the "Times, Places and Manner of holding elections for Senators and Representatives," but reserved for the Congress the power to "make or alter such regulations." Congress has used that power to enfranchise African-Americans, Native Americans, women and citizens from ages 18 - 21.

In the early days of our republic, only white male landowners were routinely allowed to vote. By the time of the civil War, most white men without property also had the right to vote.

Following the Civil War, Congress passed Amendments 13, 14 and 15, the "Reconstruction Amendments," which abolished slavery, gave former slaves their citizenship and enfranchised African-American men. Yet even though the 15th Amendment granting African-American men the right to vote was ratified in 1870, some states found ways to circumvent the amendment by instituting poll taxes and literacy tests as well as through intimidation and fraud.

This discrimination and disenfranchisement continued for over 90 years until the 24th Amendment outlawed poll taxes in 1964. In 1965, the Voting Rights Act became the law of the land and abolished literacy requirements for voting, expanded voting rights for non-English speaking Americans, and authorized federal supervision of voter registration and elections where needed.

Even though the 15th Amendment stated that the right of U.S. citizens to vote "shall not be denied or abridged" because of race or color, Native Americans weren't allowed to vote until 1924 when the Snyder Act granted full U.S. citizenship to the first Americans. However, some states still illegally disenfranchised Native Americans for another 40 years.

In 1962, New Mexico became the last state to allow Native Americans to vote.

Women fought for 80 years to gain the right to vote. In 1840, Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton met and began working to secure voting rights for women. The abolitionist Sojourner Truth also fought for women's rights, including the right to vote. In 1873, Sojourner Truth tried to cast her ballot in a local election in Battle Creek but was not allowed.

In 1869, Stanton and Susan B. Anthony founded the National Woman Suffrage Association and continued to press their case. Although this famous suffragist did not live to see Congress pass the 19th Amendment in 1919 giving women the vote, it was widely known as the Susan B. Anthony amendment.

According to the *New York Times*, on the day the Senate passed the amendment, "Suffragists thronged the Senate galleries in anticipation of the final vote, and when the outcome was announced by President Pro Tem Cummins they broke into deafening applause. For two minutes the demonstration went on, Senator Cummins making no effort to check it." The states ratified the amendment in 1920, enfranchising half of the U.S. population.

With the passage of the 26th Amendment in 1971, Congress lowered the voting age from 21 to 18. Today, all U.S. Citizens (except convicted felons) over age 18 are eligible to vote.

For large segments of our society, the right to vote has been long sought and hard fought. Yet through it all, the history of the expansion of the right to vote in our country reflects the Constitution's vision of forming "a more perfect Union."

Our democracy depends on an informed and involved citizenry. On November 2, I hope all Michigan voters will exercise the most fundamental right of democracy - the right to vote.

Visit the Michigan Voter Information Center at www.Michigan.gov/vote for general information about candidates, voting equipment and a statewide election overview.

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Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Avalanche*.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Children can get hearing/vision tests

On Friday November 5, from 9:30 a.m. till 4 p.m. the Crawford County Health Department Hearing and Vision technician will be doing screenings for kids ages 3-18 years of age at the Head Start building on Old 27 North. Appointments are required. Please call the office at 348-7800 for more information.

Clothing give-away on Make a Difference Day

The V.F.W. and the American Legion Auxiliary will be holding a clothes give-away on November 23, Make a Difference Day, at the American Legion from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring bags with you. For more information call Bonnie Poll at 989-348-2139.

Thanksgiving Community Dinner to be held

The 11th Annual Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 25, from noon to 3 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 604 Norway St., Grayling. Meals are provided free of charge and deliveries can be scheduled by calling Sally at 348-9418. Volunteers are needed, please call Therese at 348-1674 or 348-1340 for more details. Donations can be sent to : CATD, P.O. Box 44, Grayling, MI 49738.

Volunteers needed to decorate in Frederic

The Frederic Township Board is seeking volunteers to decorate the township park for the holidays. Volunteers can contact the Board at the township offices at 7564 Co. Rd. 612, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by calling 989-348-8778.

Northern Chapter of the MMBA to meet

The Northern Chapter of the Michigan Mountain Biking Association will be holding its monthly meeting on November 13, 6:30 p.m., at Hanson Hills Recreation Area in Grayling. The November meeting will hold chapter elections. The Northern Chapter is seeking nominations for all officers. Current treasurer, Chris Brandt, is stepping down after three years of service. Monthly chapter meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Organ transplant support group to meet

An "Organ Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan" meeting will be held Thursday, October 14, at 6 p.m. in the classroom at Otsego Memorial Hospital, 825 N. Center (US 27 North), Gaylord. All interested parties are invited, especially recipients and their families and anyone who would like to learn from those who have received their life saving transplants. Please phone Bev for more information at 989-983-4188.

Mt. Hope hosting 1st Annual Kid's Fall Festival

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church will be hosting their 1st Annual Kid's Fall Festival in their parking lot on Sunday, October 31, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. There will be games, candy, prizes and toys for all the kids. There will also be a bonfire for roasting hot dogs. Refreshments will be served for all ages, including coffee, doughnuts and hot cider. A Spiderman Bouncer will be available for the kids to play on. The public is invited. Mt. Hope is located north of Grayling at 905 I-75 Business Loop (south of Grayling High School).

Dixieland Band to perform at dinner show

The Grayling Promotional Associations (GPA) Community Cultural Events Program will kick-off the Command Performance Dinner Series with the New Reformation Dixieland Band with the Opperman Brothers on October 21 at the Grayling Holiday Inn, Evergreen Room. Doors open at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. with the performance following dessert. Tickets cost $27.50 (includes tax and tip) and are available in advance by calling 348-7146 or at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce and Flowers by Josie.

Project Graduation is accepting donations

Project Graduation is accepting non-clothing item donations for their spring garage sale. Please call Michelle Barber at 348-1772 or Sue McInally at 348-2324 to arrange a drop-off time.

Kid's Crusade to be held with Lighthouse Co.

The Grayling Assembly of God, 701 S. I-75 Bus. Loop, invites kids of all ages to the Kid's Crusade on Sunday, October 24, at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. with the Lighthouse Company. On Sunday, October 31, 5 p.m., they will sponsor a Fall Harvest Celebration with food,games, prizes and costume contest for the best Noah's Ark theme costume. Call the church at 348-8885 or 348-7466 for more information.

DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for October.

Immunization clinics: November 3 and 17, by appointment, call (989) 348-7800.

Family planning: November 2 and 16. Call (989) 348-7800 for appointments.

WIC Supplemental Food Program: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children: November 3, 8, 12, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24 and 29. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

Flu Clinics: Call your local Health Department or clinic information.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions: are scheduled at the Cadillac office only. Information and appointments for this training session can be made by calling: (231) 876-3839/Health Education.

Breast and Cervical Cancer Screenings: Available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled November 9 in Grayling. Call 1-800-968-7300 for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings: This is a free program for children ages three to 18. Call the Health Department for more information. Clinics are being held in Crawford County at the Head Start building on U.S. 27 on November 5. Appointments are necessary, call (989) 348-7800.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.

'Jack Benny/Laughter in Bloom' to perform at Kirtland

Veteran stage and television actor Eddie Carroll's one-man show..."Jack Benny/Laughter in Bloom," goes beyond mere imitation of Benny's familiar catch phrases and mannerisms. It is a captivating evening of theatre that has Jack Benny himself leading us on a fascinating tour of his rich and colorful life and illustrious career that spanned six decades... from vaudeville to films, from Broadway stage to radio and television, to concerts and personal appearances. Carroll, who researched and penned the show himself, spent months preparing for the role and perfecting every facet and nuance of Benny's persona... from his walk, body language and gestures, to his voice, timing and delivery. "I didn't want to just imitate Benny or do an impression," says Carroll. "An impression is basically a caricature with overly exaggerated vocal traits and gestures. My goal as an actor was to recreate Benny's honest reality and true humanity of the man." As a result, Carroll's performance is no stand-up comedy act or routine, but an award winning , Broadway quality theatrical presentation that is in the same class as Hal Holbrook's "Mark Twain," or James Whitmore's "Will Rogers."

As one critic wrote... "Carroll doesn't just do Benny... He is Benny! Before your eyes he truly becomes the beloved comedian, capturing his endearing nature, dwelling in his spirit, as well as his shadow."

The show opens with a short film of some of Benny's funniest TV moments and ends with a freeze-frame of Benny in his typical pose. By the time Carroll takes stage, the audience has made the transition that Jack Benny is truly there in person. For the next hour and forty minutes, the audience is transported on a nostalgic journey as they learn of Benny's childhood as Benjamin Kubelsky growing up in Waukegan, IL... his personal struggles and failures, and eventual success in Vaudeville and the meteoric rise in radio and television.

Carroll, (who's diverse career spans four decades in theatre, a television series, countless TV shows and the voice of Jiminy Cricket since 1973) has been performing "Jack Benny/Laughter in Bloom" for more than a decade and continues to draw a sell-out performance where ever it plays.

Bring the entire family to this family event on Saturday, November 6 at 8 p.m. at the Kirtland Center For the Performing Arts on the campus of Kirtland Community College, For ticket reservations call the Kirtland Ticket Office at 989-275-6777 or order tickets on line at www2.kirtland.edu/arts/kcpa. tickets are $22/$20 and a family of five for $38.

Kirtland announces cast for 'The Emperor's New Clothes'

The Kirtland Community College, Theatre Arts Department and Kirtland Youth Theatre announce the cast list for The Emperor's New Clothes. The classic tale by Hans Christian Anderson has been adapted by Gary Carton, Chairman of the Theatre Arts Department at Kirtland Community College

Michael Moon, from Grayling, will be the Narrator and Sir Yesir. The role of Snap will be played by Sarah McCormick from Fairview. Jenny French, from Grayling, will play Tack. Lt. Raggs will be played by Chris Anderson from Algèr. Bethany Rickwald, from Prudenville, will play Patches. The Emperor Velvet will be played by Don Wray of Roscommon. Kristie McCormick, from Fairview, will play the Empress Velveteen. Prince Terry Cloth will be played by Brandon Atkinson from West Branch. Dominique Linderer, from Grayling, will play Princess Polly Ester. Shroud will be played by Katie Jacobs from Fairview. Madame Satin will be played by Shirley Carton from Roscommon. Natalie Kerr, from Grayling , will play Fleece, keeper of the flock. The Stage Manager for the production will be William Harris from Houghton Lake. Dan Wray from Roscommon will be the Lighting Technician. Patricia Vail from Houghton Lake will be the Property Mistress and also assist with costumes.

The performance dates will be Friday, November 19 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Saturday, November 20 at 2 p.m. and also Sunday, November 21, at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are $5 or adults and $3 for students. For further information or to reserve tickets, please call the Theatre Arts Department at 989-275-5000 ext. 375.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Project Graduation

The "Lucky 300 Club" raffle winners for the weeks of September 26 - Will Holsehea; October 3 - Mo McNamara; and October 10 - Sandy Barber.

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The Bible Speaks

My Last Ride

Most of us can remember the childhood joy of outgrowing a tricycle and riding our first bicycle. This love of bikes remained ingrained in some of us into adulthood and beyond. Though I gave up riding motorcycles about 25 years ago, I always had the dream of one last or final ride on a big Harley. Friday, October 1st was that glorious day. My middle son Brian rode with me to make it an all day father/son adventure.

Following a very enjoyable ride through winding roads and beautiful colors we stopped for a satisfying steak lunch north of Petoskey. Riding along Lake Michigan toward Good Hope we enjoyed some of the most scenic, winding roads I have ever seen. Suddenly we were confronted with a sharp u-turn at the bottom of a steep hill where we later learned many big Harleys have bottomed out.

Suddenly as the big bike bottomed it arose to a vertical position and I knew instantly my first motorcycle accident was already in progress. Suddenly it seemed like God was taking control after my failure. As I flew up the hill lined with big trees, I realized God was my co-pilot. Landing on my left side with the motorcycle resting on my left leg gave me an experience with God I shall never forget.

I both heard and sensed the breaking of my left arm and 6 ribs, yet I remember no pain. I suddenly felt and knew God,s presence, power, peace, and purpose in my life as never before. Even medics on the site were amazed that my blood pressure remained 110/70. Someone had phoned 911 so the police, fire department, and ambulance teams were there along with a huge crowd.

I thanked everyone for their help, signed off on seeking medical treatment and told them I was ready to continue my ride as soon as the bike could be lowered 12 or 15 feet down the hill to the road. After using my right hand to lift my left arm and hand to the left handlebar grip, Brian and I continued our ride to Good Hart, east to the Expressway and south to Gaylord to turn in the rental bike which recorded our trip at 234 miles. Over a hundred miles of that were ridden after the spill. I then drove my car to our home in Grayling where my wife insisted on taking me to the Mercy hospital here in Grayling. I,ll share more on that part of the experience next week.

But why do we risk life and limb to fulfill our dreams or adventures? Maybe we just want to reaffirm that the confidence, courage, and commitment of our youth remains strong even as we age. However God impressed upon my heart that all the confidence, courage, and commitment I have or ever will have comes from Him alone, and not from fulfilling some human dream or adventure.

There is a sense in which all of us are on that same earthly road of life, and seldom are we ready to consider that the end may be near. There is nothing more wonderful than to know when you leave this life, that you will enter the presence of our Lord. I have tasted the promises of Psalm 23:4, "Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." My friend do you live your life in fear of death or in the joy of life, peace, and hope through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ? Living with Jesus Christ in control of your heart and life is the greatest of adventures which shall be mutually enjoyed forever. Pastor "B"

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Adult and Youth Sunday School ....9:30 am

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Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
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Sunday School ....9:45 am
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Wednesday ....7 pm

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Sunday School ....9:30 am
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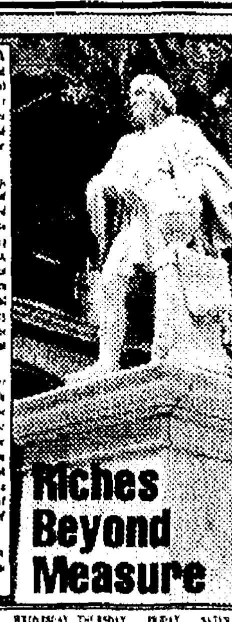

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Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil Mass ....6 pm
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Daily Masses:
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St. Francis Episcopal
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Eucharist (Wed) ....8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist ....8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Fellowship
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Grayling Days Inn Conference Room
Sunday Service ....10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed) ....7 - 9 p.m.
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Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School ....9:45 am
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Wednesday Evening ....7 pm

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Pastor Terry Colby
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Sunday School ....9:45 am
Morning Worship ....11 am
Evening Service ....6 pm
Wednesday Service ....7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
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Sunday School ....9 am
Sunday Service ....10 am

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Obituaries

George C. Hargraves

Dec. 3, 1922 - Oct. 14, 2004

George C. Hargraves, 81 of Frederic (Guthrie Lakes), died on October 14, 2004 at Otsego Hospital in Gaylord.

Mr. Hargraves was born in Detroit on December 3, 1922. On November 6, 1948 in Highland Park, he married the former Barbara Carpenter.

He lived in Royal Oak for a period of time before moving to Troy where he resided for 25 years. He had been living in the Guthries Lakes area since 1984. He was a pilot serving in the United States Air Force during WWII, was active in a local flying club, an avid golfer, volunteered with many local functions, and enjoyed boating and fishing.

He is survived by three children: Nedra Borders of Sebastian, Florida, Todd Hargraves of St. Ignace and Marc Hargraves of Mackinaw City; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1994.

Memorial services will be held on October 25, 2004, 11 a.m., at Nelson Funeral Home in Gaylord with Reverend John Naile officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Hospice of Michigan through Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

William C. Mac Donald

May 31, 1927 - Oct. 12, 2004

William C. MacDonald, 77, of Roscommon, died on October 12, 2004. Graveside services were held on October 15, 2004 at Pioneer Cemetery.

Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

Martha Louise Gosling

Apr. 17, 1948 - Oct. 16, 2004

Martha Louise Gosling, died on October 16, 2004 in Fort Myers, Florida.

Martha was born on April 17, 1948 in Grayridge, Missouri to Stelline and the late William Cyrus Gross. She married Dr. Charles Gosling in Grayridge on March 22, 1972.

Marti was always involved with something in Grayling; she was best known for her costuming for the Grayling Middle and High School plays, a program she loved.

She is survived by her husband, three children: Meaghan Leigh of North Fort Myers, Florida, April Dawn of Holt and William "Bill" Harry of Petoskey; two sisters, Dortha (Andrew) Shutic of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Buffy (Andrew Sacco) Ripperdan of Fort Myers, Florida; her mother; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and a multitude of lives she touched.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 24, 2004, 2 p.m. at Sorenson Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to the Crawford Ausable School District's Drama Program.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

Russell W. Hawkes

May 28, 1933 - Oct. 14, 2004

Russell W. Hawkes, 71, from Lyon Township, Roscommon, died on October 14, 2004. A memorial service will be planned in the future.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

Helen Easter Warner

Apr. 4, 1915 - Oct. 11, 2004

Helen Easter Warner, 89, died on October 11, 2004 at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Helen was born on April 4, 1915 in Roscommon to William and Helen (Annin) Millikin. She was married to Francis Warner on March 5, 1934 in Gladwin.

Helen previously lived in Grayling. She enjoyed the company of family and friends and crocheting afghans.

She is survived by one daughter, Kay Warner-Leslie of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one son: Keith (Judith) Warner of Lake Odessa; six grandchildren: Troy (Catherine) Leslie of Grand Ledge, Dr. Holly and Dr. John Bahrenburg of Colorado Springs, Colorado, James (Shannon) Warner of Sunfield, Michael (Robekah) Warner of Hastings, Kyle (Wendy) Warner of Detroit, Christine (Jeffrey) Carter of Lake Odessa; six great-grandchildren: Mikaylah Warner, Kassaundra Warner, Heath Carter, Jenna Warner, Justin Warner, and Luke Leslie.

She was preceded in death by her husband on June 12, 1982; two sisters and five brothers.

Funeral services were held on October 16, 2004 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Reverend Bob Thornton officiating. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

The family requests memorials to the Devereau Crawford County Library.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

John E. Miller

Aug. 20, 1929 - Sept. 25, 2004

John E. Miller, 75, of Mt. Dora, Florida, formerly of Grayling (Lovells Township), Essexville and Lansing, died on September 25, 2004.

John was born on August 20, 1929 in Saginaw to Alexander and Serua.

He served in the Army in Korea then graduated from Bowling Green State University and Michigan State University. John dedicated his career as a social worker for the State of Michigan to helping individuals remain in their home communities instead of institutions. He loved to hunt and fish especially in the woods, streams and lakes of northern Michigan, particularly around his Lovells Township home.

He belonged to several Veteran's organizations and was a Mason.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 54 years, Peggy; his children: Shelley (Mark O'Neill) and Timothy (Kimberly); grandchildren: Melissa, Nathaniel and Erin; sisters, Ruth Rae (George) and Marjory Ahern (Charles); and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Eugene and Annabelle.

A memorial service will be held on October 23, 2004, 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 6500 Amwood, Lansing.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael's Episcopal Church or Helps International (15301 Dallas Parkway Suite 200, Addison, TX 75001 or online at www.helpsintl.org)

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Children, Grandchildren,
Family and Friends

Honors

Baker College

Adam Knapp, a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School was placed on the Dean's list at Baker College in Owosso for the spring semester 2004.

He has a Minor Degree in Computers through Baker. Knapp has coached basketball for Durand Middle School as well as this year's Girl's Junior Varsity Basketball team. He has been hired to be head coach for the Boy's Varsity Basketball team for Durand as well.

Knapp has passed his Basic testing with the State and Federal Certification Board and has been accepted into the educational program with Madonna College on Baker College campus in Owosso. This is his second year in the teaching program. His goal is to receive a degree in English and Social Studies.

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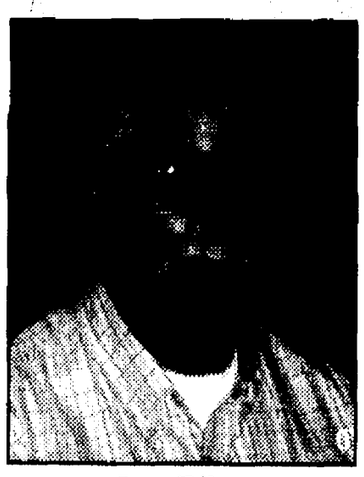
On The Ballot: November 2 General Election – Beaver Creek Township

All candidates for Beaver Creek Township positions are running unopposed on the November 2 ballot, but one candidate has registered as a write-in candidate for the township supervisor spot.

Sharon K. Hartman (R) and Vivian D. Balmes (R) – both incumbents – are running unopposed for the township clerk and township treasurer positions, respectively. The two candidates for the two township trustee seats are Linda S. Little (R, incumbent) and Gary Summers (R).

In the supervisor race. Lee Riley (R) will be the only candidate listed on the ballot. Kathleen Mobarak (R) is running a write-in campaign for the supervisor position. In the August primary election, Riley defeated Mobarak by one vote, 149-148.

The *Crawford County Avalanche* mailed questionnaires to each candidate in a contested race and their respoises were the basis for the following brief profiles:



Lee Riley

Kathleen Mobarak

Lee Riley
Republican (incumbent)
Running For: Supervisor

Lee Riley, Beaver Creek Township Supervisor and Level 2 Assessor, is currently nearing the end of his second term as supervisor. Riley served one term on the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, served on the Beaver Creek Township Fire Department for six years, and has served as the Frederic Township Assessor since December 2000.

"I believe the township supervisor position is one I have been preparing for and educating myself for all of my adult life. I am very fortunate to have been elected for two terms and enjoy the job very much. I enjoy the challenge of serving my community and make myself available to solve problems for the people of Beaver Creek and Crawford County," Riley said.

"I hope to be a part of the continued success of Beaver Creek Township. As a community we have built facilities dedicated to service and recreation. Our township offices, community center, park, and fire department were all well-planned and very functional without being elaborate. I'm proud of the fact that I have had a hand in all of those accomplishments. It is my hope the voters will allow me to continue to work with the township board, the various departments, the commercial and industrial interest as well as the voters themselves. I would like to encourage new industry and business in the township. There is room for improvement and upgrading our beautiful park. We are a growing community and as we grow our constituents will expect new and improved services. I look forward to being a part of that growth," Riley said.

"Crawford County has way too much state-owned land. We also have state government that has a tendency to forget that the state extends north of M-57. Revenue will always be a problem for this county until the State of Michigan makes better decisions concerning state land," he said.

"Beaver Creek is in pretty good shape and for the most part we are able to deal with problems. As always, revenue is the concern. Over the last two or three years, state revenue sharing has been cut each year. It is my goal to maintain our facilities, programs, and services we currently offer in Beaver Creek. This is difficult in itself, and then you have to consider where the money is coming from for expansion or new programs," Riley said.

"I believe local units of government should always be looking for ways to make our community better. An example would be the scrap tire clean-up just undertaken in Crawford County. It took a lot of planning and work, but it shows what our elected officials can do. It is even more satisfying to have a hand in bringing elected officials and volunteers together to work on a project. I'm very fortunate to live and work in this community and I appreciate the fact that my neighbors are willing to share their time and energy for the benefit of all," Riley said.

Riley and his wife Elaine have two adult children and five grandchildren.

In his spare time, Riley enjoys family activities, CMU football, working on his lawn, camping, computers, and digital photography.

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Kathleen Mobarak
Republican
Running For: Supervisor
(As a write-in candidate)

Kathleen Mobarak, a paramedic, has been a trustee on the Beaver Creek Township Board for 20 years.

Mobarak founded the Beaver Creek Community Reading Program, which has distributed over $600,000 in free material to Beaver Creek and Crawford County residents. She is also a volunteer firefighter who has achieved firefighter I and II and fire officer I and II status. For five years, Mobarak has been president of the board of trustees of the Public Enrichment Foundation, one of two agencies that serve Michigan directly under the guidance of the State of Michigan's Department of History, Arts & Libraries.

"This is my community, the people who live here are my neighbors. I feel strongly that government is in place to serve the community and people who live in it. I have had to overcome many of the problems my neighbors have. I believe I can help them," Mobarak said. "Beaver Creek is a beautiful community with wonderful residents. I want to keep us beautiful and strong and environmentally safe. I want the people of this community to have their voices heard by their governing body."

If elected, Mobarak said her priorities would be: "(1) I will strive to keep taxes to a minimum as I have the past 20 years; (2) Keep a balanced budget; (3) Control spending; (4) Provide greater community services for the tax dollars we pay; (5) Provide more community input for township issues. (I would) implement a township-wide public forum wherein the residents can openly and freely discuss issues and concerns without time constraints on their comments, without prejudice."

The main problems facing the county: "(1) Budget is a disaster; (2) Imported trash fails to keep us environmentally sound; (3) Public has little, if any, voice regarding issues; (4) Police protection outside the city is virtually nonexistent during the overnight; (5) The inter-department, inter-agency bickering and demands, either reasonable or unreasonable, are tearing the county apart; (6) Services are becoming less due to budget problems."

In Beaver Creek Township, the main problems are: "(1) Public has very little input on township issues; (2) Increasing amounts of trash dumping in woods; (3) Controversy regarding resident trash removal; (4) Minimal services for tax dollars spent; (5) Township and county wide I see our youth growing up and moving away. We need to provide positive employment to keep our families together."

"As supervisor, I will be both available for and accountable to my constituents. I will continue to hear your concerns and research avenues to resolve them. You are my neighbors. Together we can make Beaver Creek strong, united, serene. Help me to help you," Mobarak said.

Mobarak has two children, Jay Mobarak and Chelle Merrill, and two grandchildren, Levi Manor and Patrick Merrill.

In her spare time, Mobarak enjoys gardening.

Voting for write-in candidates requires an extra step

Voting for a write-in candidate sometimes causes confusion for the voter.

Whether voting by absentee ballot, or on November 2, the voter will have the same punch-card to fill out. To vote for a write-in candidate, whether by absentee ballot or on November 2:

- Do not punch the straight party ticket option.
- Vote for each office individually.
- When it comes to the position the write-in candidate is running for, do not punch anyone's name.
- Either write in the name of the candidate and the office that person is seeking on the inside of the secrecy envelope which comes with the ballot, or attach a sticker with the candidate's name and office sought on the inside of the secrecy envelope.

Ask for help if you do not understand something, including how to vote for a write-in candidate. According to state law, "The inspectors ... assisting a voter shall render such assistance inside the voting booth by showing him how to mark his ballot in order to vote as he desires..." Absentee voters may ask the city or township clerk for assistance.

Write-in candidates for county offices need to fill out a declaration of intent and file it with Sandra Moore, Crawford County Clerk. Write in candidates for city or township offices, need to file the declaration with the clerk of the city or township where they are running for office. All declarations must be filed no later than 4 p.m. Friday, October 29.

Votes for anyone who is not a declared candidate are not counted.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 92 complaints the week of October 11 - October 17:

Eight traffic accidents, three accidents-non traffic, one traffic safety-public appearance, seven motor vehicle vin school bus, four civil matter/family disputes, 12 suspicious situations, one lost and found property, two missing persons;

11 general non-criminal, one delinquent minors, four false alarms, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, two assault/intimidation/stalking, one burglary/home invasion, six larcenies, three fraudulent activities, one stolen property, seven damage to property, nine public peace/disorderly, one health and safety, four miscellaneous criminal offense, one failure to file property liability and property damage insurance, two driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are?"

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

Don't fall into the trap of late night eating

By Ernie Harwell

All of us face the temptation of late night eating. It's late, the TV's on, and you find yourself munching on something. Before you know it, you've eaten too many chips or cookies.

When I'd talk to big league umpires, they'd tell me that their biggest temptation was going out after games, having a drink or two, and eating a big meal. They knew it wasn't good for them, but it was awfully hard for them to avoid.

The truth of the matter is that when you're eating late, you're probably adding extra calories that you don't need. And that means you'll gain weight.

Next time you're hungry at night, try to hold off eating until the morning. If you can't wait, try eating a low-calorie snack like a piece of fruit. That way, when you're hungry in the morning, you can have a big healthy breakfast to get you going and you'll have the whole day to burn it off.

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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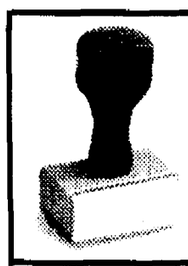

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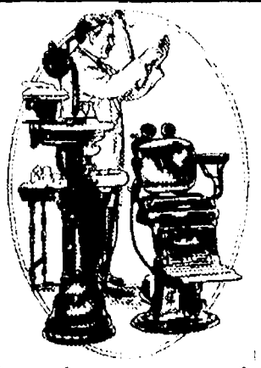

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McIsaac named the '2004 Grayling Youth Booster Club Member of the Year'

The Grayling Youth Booster Club has named Irv McIsaac as the 2004 Booster of the Year.

During the annual Installation Dinner held on October 16 at the Grayling Country Club McIsaac was recognized for his 35 years of dedication to the youth of Crawford County and the Booster Club. McIsaac just recently retired from the Booster Club Board of Directors and has been instrumental in fundraising and recruiting for the club.

During the presentation McIsaac recalled that when the club formed, 35 years ago, a group of local men set out on a mission to send the Grayling High School Boys Basketball team to a basketball camp. They borrowed $1,000 from Grayling State Bank and the boys were on their way. Within one month the men were able to raise the $1,000 to pay off the loan, but the men did not stop there. They formed the Grayling Youth Booster Club and after 35 years, have raised and donated over a million dollars to local youth and youth activities.

Irv McIsaac was named the 2004 Grayling Youth Booster Club Member of the Year during the Annual Installation Dinner on October 16. Pictured L to R: Club President, Rick Schmidt with Irv McIsaac

Although McIsaac is retired from the Board of Directors, he still is very active as a fundraiser and spokesman for the club.

Membership dues in the Grayling Youth Booster club are $10 annually or $75 lifetime.

The club claims that a membership is the best investment in town.

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RANGE FIRING

Range firing is scheduled for the period October 20 - 26, 2004.

The Range 40 complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: October 20 - 22 and 25 - 26.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Military maneuvers and artillery firing. October 22 - 24.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. October 22 - 23.

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The Range 30 complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. October 22 - 24.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on October 22 - 24:

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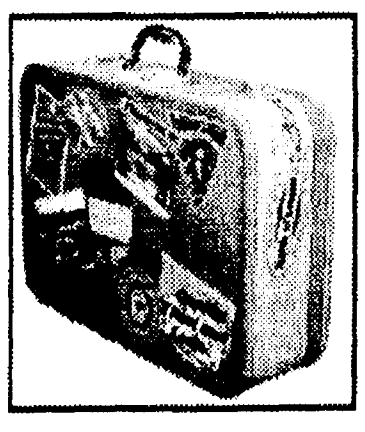

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Six GMS students selected for Regional Honors Choir

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Tabbitha Pelkey, Meghan Wyskiel, Miescha McCuan, Samantha Zackery, Vicke Pegouskie and Chelsey Ferris (listed from left to right) are all members of the 8th Grade Choir at Grayling Middle School. They participated in the MSVMA (Michigan State Vocal Music Association) Regional Honors Choir Concert held at Mt. Pleasant High School October 16. Students auditioned for three members of the music faculty at the school in September. Once chosen for regional honors choir, participants had to memorize a song for state auditions which were held at the regional competition. Students selected for the State Honors Choir will participate in the State Honors Choir Concert in January at the University of Michigan.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, October 22 - Lunch - Italian sausage with peppers and onions, baked potato, corn, apricots. No dinner. 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Monday, October 25 - Lunch - beef goulash, winter blend vegetables, sweet & sour carrots, pudding. Dinner - roast turkey w/ stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, cake. 12 p.m. Stag Club, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Hangman.

Tuesday, October 26 - Lunch - BBQ meatballs, Italian blend, baked potato, cake. Dinner - kielbasa, sauerkraut, carrots, peach crisp. 10 a.m. Tenant council meeting, 1 p.m. Euchre Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardo.

Wednesday, October 27- Lunch - creamed chicken over biscuits, tossed salad, peaches, brownie. Dinner - spaghetti w/meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad, winter blend, mixed fruit salad, ice cream sundaes. 10:00 a.m. line dancing, 12:00 p.m. Stag Club, and 5:30 p.m. Medicine Shoppe Bingo.

Thursday, October 28 - Lunch - vegetable beef stew, coleslaw, fruited Jell-O salad. Dinner - cornish hens, acorn squash, sweet potatoes, scalloped corn, apple pie. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure checks, 5 p.m. Harvest Dinner & Halloween Dance.

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Wireless Internet comes to docks and welcome centers

by Marc R. Rehmann
Capital News Service

Being able to work outside the office will take an entirely different meaning for some Michigan travelers.

That's because of new wireless Internet access at public places, including Ludington and Holland state parks.

"We wanted to give travelers in Michigan a chance to be able to conduct business away from home," said Kurt Weiss, the public information officer for the Department of Information Technology. "We know there are a lot of people unable to go to the beach with their families without checking e-mail."

"We had some early installation problems," Weiss said. "The logistics seem to be set for now and we're waiting on feedback."

By next May, internet users will be able to pay for access to Southwestern Bell Corp.'s FreedomLink wireless service at 10 parks, docks, rest areas and welcome centers.

"We're going to wait and evaluate after these 10," Weiss said. "If the feedback from these pilots is great then, we'll add more, but we will not make that call until next summer."

Ludington State Park is one of the 10 pilot sites.

"Hopefully people will use this technology for themselves so they're able to visit northern Michigan," said Rep. David Palsrok, R-Manistee. "Hopefully we can take positive results from these test sites and expand it to other places in the state."

Along with Ludington and Holland the eight other test sites are Grand Haven, Charles Mears and Sterling state parks the Mackinac Island and Tawas state docks; the New Buffalo and Clarkston welcome centers and the Clarkston rest area.

This is a pioneering project for the state, but SBC has been promoting wireless Internet for a few years.

"We have more than 2,000 hotspots across the nation," said Jody Lau, an information officer for SBC Communications. "But this is the first time SBC is doing FreedomLink with state parks."

Lau said that Michigan is the first state to offer wireless Internet at state-owned public places, but other states are likely to follow.

"We already have a relationship with SBC through a previous contract," Weiss said, "so FreedomLink was something added on to that contract.

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) hopes the new service will attract more people to its parks and better accommodate travelers while they're away from home.

"Essentially we are trying this in Michigan because the technology exists and we want to provide this service to our visitors," said Brad Wurfel, the public information officer for the DNR. "We want to meet our visitor's needs, and this is another service in that direction."

The current plan does not affect the state's budget because SBC is paying all costs.

"The agreement was that SBC pay for both the installation and tools," Weiss said. "But of course SBC is putting money up front to get the money back."

It currently cost users $7.95 for a 24-hour session and $19.95 for an unlimited monthly fee to use SBC's FreedomLink service.

"You look at your computer and on the lower left you can tell if a FreedomLink spot is available," Lau said. "It will take you to the SBC FreedomLink page, and if you have a credit card, you can get on the Web."

SBC plans to make more than 20,000 nationwide wireless hot spots available to FreedomLink customers by the end of 2006. Lau said that when customers pay the fee they're automaticaly subcribed to use it at any of the 2,000 plus spots.

At one hotspot, Holland State Park, supervisor Joyce Rhodes said: "We realize that right now there are a lot of people who can't camp because they have to be in Internet contact. This will allow visitors to watch their kids swimming while doing work on their computers."

Each summer, more than 1.6 million visitors travel to Holland State Park.

One regular visitor to the beaches of west Michigan is Sen. Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland.

"Initially I thought, 'wow this is amazing'," Kuipers said. "Usually when I go on vacation, I attempt to get away from my usual daily routines, but this will give me and many others the ability to do more things such as accessing newspapers on the Web while away from home."

Lau said Michigan travelers will now be able to do things on their computer that they couldn't do before.

"This is an easy access for people to be able to keep in contact with family and friends," Lau said. "Even travelers, such as campers who are tired of eating camp food, will be able to look on the Web for alternatives."

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Michigan General named chairman to National Guard Association

Brig. General Robert V. Taylor, of Lansing, the assistant general for the Michigan Army National Guard, was elected September 17 as chairman of the board for the Michigan National Guard Association of the United States, an organization that provides united National Guard representation before Congress. As chairman, he will represent more than 42,000 National Guard officers from across the nation. Taylor previously served as the association's vice chairman of the Army. Taylor is the second Michigan general to serve in this position. Maj. Gen. (Ret.) E. Gordon Stump served as chairman from 1998 to 2000.

Taylor enlisted in the Michigan National Guard as a private in 1966. In 1969, he graduated from the Michigan Military Academy where he earned a commission to second lieutenant. During his 36 years of military service, Taylor has held a wide range of positions within the Michigan National Guard, including the Chief of Staff, Director of Operations and Training and the Director of Army Personnel.

As Michigan's assistant adjutant general for Army, Taylor is responsible for the supervision of training, logistics, and operations for more than 8,000 Michigan Army National Guard soldiers. He assumed his current position and was promoted to brigadier general in 1993.

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DNR: Wolf numbers likely to up in lower Michigan

by Marc R. Rehmann
Capital News Service

With wolves reaching their highest populations in the Upper Peninsula in more than 50 years, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) says Lower Michigan could be next.

"It's not a matter of if, but a matter of when," said Brian Roell, the DNR wolf coordinator. "There is certainly habitat in Lower Michigan where wolves can survive."

It's believed that wolves once lived in all 83 counties, but a state-paid bounty almost led to their extinction. In early 1973, the federal government announced that gray wolves were an endangered species.

"It wasn't until 1991 that we had our first reproductive wolf year in almost 40 years," Roell said. "Today wolves are listed as threatened species and as of last winter we recorded a minimum population of 360 wolves, all in the Upper Peninsula."

Many Michigan residents have the impression that the DNR brought these wolves back to the state, but the department failed in such an effort 30 years ago.

"We attempted to relocate four wolves from Minnesota and release them into a Huron Mountains area," said Bill Robinson, a retired biology professor at Northern Michigan University. "Our attempt failed as every wolf died within a year."

According to the DNR, wolves have since migrated from western Minnesota, Wisconsin and Canada to settle in the Upper Peninsula. There are no verified records of wolves now living in the Lower Peninsula.

Dennis Fijalkowski, the executive director of the Michigan Wildlife Conservancy in Bath, said wolves have crossed the Straights of Mackinac.

"They have absolutely crossed on the ice in the areas east of the bridge," Fijalkowski said. "There are packs in Emmet, Cheboygan and Presque Isle counties."

But semi-annual studies done in Emmet and Charlevoix counties have been inconclusive.

"We've been trying to document the existence of wolves and large carnivores for years," said Doug Craven, the director of natural resources for the Little Traverse Bay Band Odawa Indians in Petoskey. "We have several track reports that appear to be in the size range of a wolf. We feel that they're probably here, but we haven't been able to get any substantial proof yet."

The state doesn't issue wolf hunting and trapping permits, but Fijalkowski said that could change if the wolf population continues to increase.

"This could be a situation we're going to be looking at down the road," Fijalkowski said. "But we must remember that balancing the wolves' needs versus humankind is the prudent thing to do."

Ontario is the only place in the Great Lakes region where people can legally hunt and trap wolves.

"They're pretty much all small-game licenses," said Maria de Almedia, the large carnivore biologist for the Ontario Ministry and Natural Resources. "In Ontario there are about 600 wolves sold each year, mostly for the fur. But of course the geography and human development is much different than Michigan's."

Gov. Jennifer Granholm proclaimed Oct. 17 to 23 as Wolf Awareness Week. It was initiated to teach the public about the role the animals play in the ecosystem.

"Wolves help balance our state's ecosystem as they remove sick and old injured animals from the populations," Fijalkowski said. "They also keep herbivore animals, such as deer, in check."

The DNR has never received a report of a human being harmed by a wolf.

"People get this Little Red Riding Hood syndrome, which isn't true," Roell said. "Wolves should be treated with respect like any other wild animal. People shouldn't attempt to approach them, and if they have a pet dog, they should keep it inside."

One group that does complain to the DNR is farmers. Wolves have been known to kill livestock

"We certainly reimburse them if they lose livestock, and a lot of them would just soon see wolves become extinct," Roell said.

"But there are lots of people that love wolves, too. People love the mystique that wolves bring. The sounds of a howl make them think that they're back in nature and not in the city anymore."

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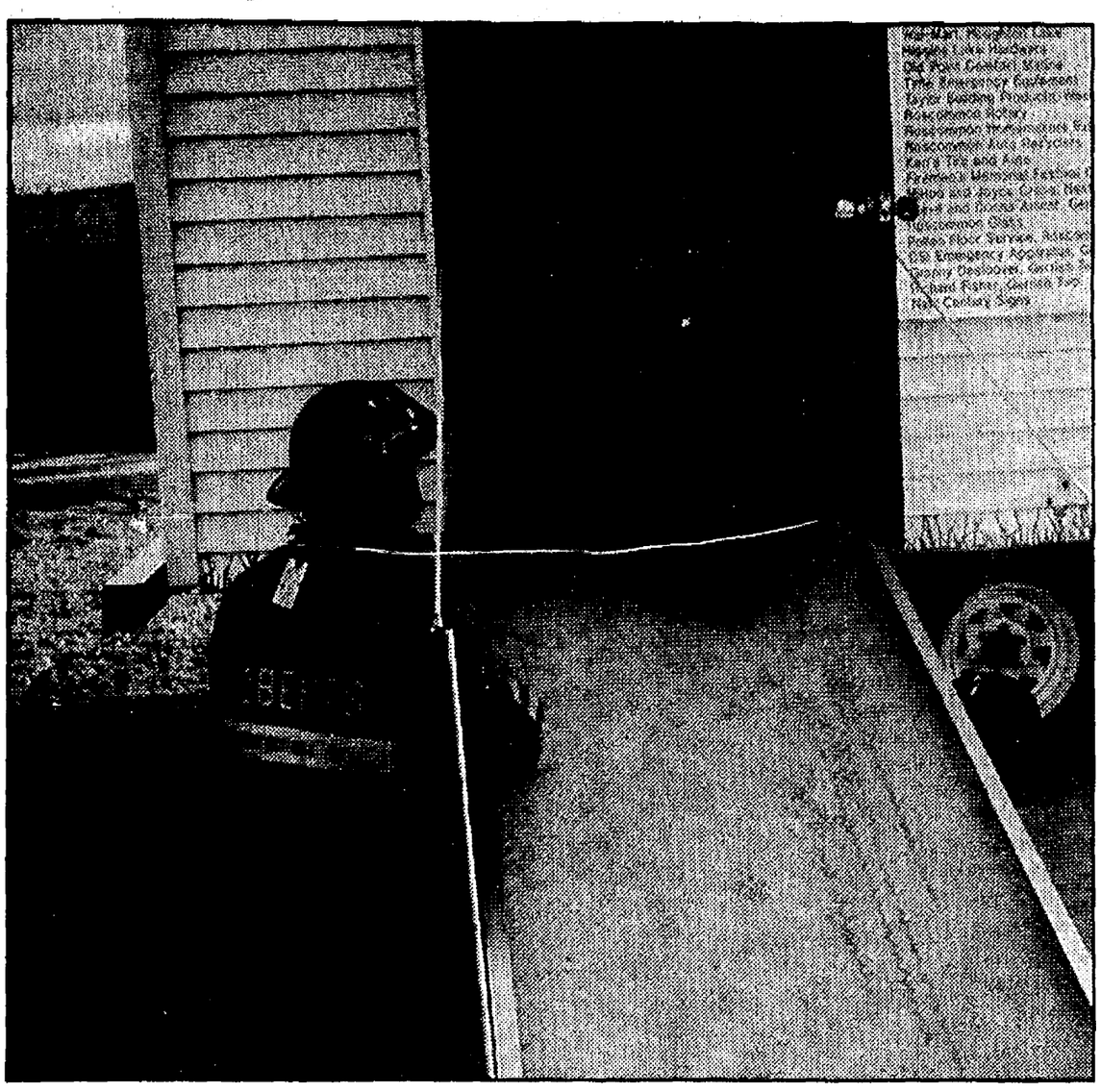

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Grayling Fire Marshall Travis Roberts encourages kindergartners Ian Woodbury (left) and Dalton Peterson to crawl toward the exit of a "burning building" at AuSable Primary. All students at AuSable Primary learn about fire safety in the classroom. They then have a chance to enter the Safety Education Trailer, with a fireman, to see what conditions are like in a real fire. The inside of the trailer becomes smoky and dark, and the students are encouraged to crawl toward the light, which in this case, is the door.

Conservancy receives $1,000 challenge grant

HeadWaters Land Conservancy is announcing a $1,000 challenge grant campaign to protect private lands, as well as fishing and hunting opportunities along the Au Sable River and surrounding region.

During the campaign, every dollar raised will be matched by The Hal and Jean Glassen Memorial Foundation of Lansing up to a total of $1,000.

"The AuSable River is one area we have chosen to focus our land protection work on, due to increasing threats from land fragmentation," says Kirt Manecke, HeadWaters Land Conservancy's Director of Marketing.

Once the matching money is raised, HeadWaters Land Conservancy will use the grant award to expand its land protection program along the Au Sable River to help landowners permanently protect their property using conservation easements.

To contribute or to learn more about protecting your land, contact HeadWaters Land Conservancy at 989-731-0573, or visit their website at www.headwatersconservancy.org. The campaign will run until the $1,000 matching money is raised.

A conservation easement is a voluntary legal agreement between a landowner and a land conservancy.

It allows a landowner to permanently protect land and limit future development in order to protect the conservation values of the land, while allowing the landowner to retain ownership and the ability to sell.

Along with possibly reducing estate taxes, landowners who place a conservation easement on their property may receive an income tax deduction.

Sustainable forestry is allowed if the landowner wishes. A building envelope for a future home site(s) can be built into the conservation easement agreement as long as it does not disrupt the conservation values of the property.

Other things such as hunting and sustainable forestry are often allowed within the terms of a conservation easement if the landowner desires.

The Conservancy monitors conservation easements annually. Land protected with a conservation easement remains private and not open for public access.

Based in Gaylord, HeadWaters Land Conservancy is a private, non-profit land conservancy established in 1993 to protect land in the eleven-county region of northeast Lower Michigan. These counties include Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Crawford, Roscommon, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle County.

Over 3,467 acres are protected to date, with another 1,500 acres in process.

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Proposal seeks bar eligibility for non-U.S. citizens

by Jonathon Malavolti
Capital News Service

Non-U.S. citizens may soon be eligible to practice law in Michigan.

A bill to change the law restricting non-residents from taking the bar exam will soon be debated on the Senate floor.

Currently, anyone not a citizen of the 50 states, District of Columbia or a member of the military or the military of an ally is ineligible to take the Michigan test. But if the proposal is approved by both houses and Gov. Jennifer Granholm, foreign law students would become eligible to practice here.

The bill, which unanimously cleared the Judiciary Committee without any argument, will likely become law soon, said Sen. Alan Cropsey, R-DeWitt.

"I don't think there's any opposition to it," he said.

Cropsey, who chairs the committee, said he drafted the bill after being told of the odd restrictions.

"Michigan is unusual. For in most states it doesn't matter where your residency is," he said. "It was one of these things that no one had ever brought up before."

The State Bar actively supports the change, said bar President Nancy J. Diehl, of Detroit.

"We recognize the need to re-evaluate the residency requirement in light of today's globalized economy," she said.

Diehl said the current restrictions create problems. For example, "the present law discourages foreign students, primarily, but not exclusively, from Canada, from attending law school in Michigan.

"Several Michigan law schools offer joint programs with Canadian schools. For example, the University of Detroit Mercy offers a joint degree program with the University of Windsor School of Law. Programs such as this would continue to be negatively affected if Canadian students who reside in Canada and meet all other requirements were denied admission to the State Bar."

Diehl also noted that current standards leave foreign law students in Michigan with a "Catch 22."

"Under federal rules, a visa will not be issued unless a person is admitted to the bar," Diehl said. "In Michigan, a person cannot be admitted to the bar unless he or she is a resident in the United States.

"Furthermore, student visas for foreign students expire almost immediately following graduation, not leaving enough time to study for and take the bar exam."

Law school deans originally approached Diehl and the State Bar to take up the issue because they "believe that no other jurisdiction has such stringent restrictions as Michigan," Diehl said.

The Michigan branch of the American Civil Liberties Union views the bill as a positive step.

"This bill is great, we really like it and we are totally behind it," said Michigan ACLU legislative director Shelli Weisberg.

And Weisberg said she was a little surprised to learn of the committee's action because of the effects the 9/11 attacks have had on U.S. laws.

"It seems like post 9/11, they've kind of closed the doors on allowing anyone that's not already here to enter the United States system," Weisberg said. "This is the first thing since 9/11 that's taken a broader look at things. It's inviting. It says to our friends and allies who are not residents of the United States to share in this, share our system."

Weisberg also said foreign law students may not be the only ones who benefit from a more diverse legal system.

"The European Union has surpassed the U.S. in having nationwide, now unionwide, privacy requirements on information that can go back and forth," Weisberg said. "And the United States has lagged behind on that issue. We can look at what the European Union is doing and learn from them. So I see this bill as opening up that door as well."

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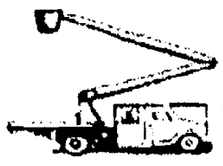

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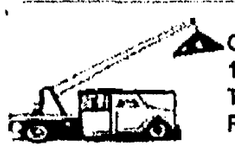

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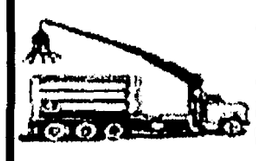

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Mercury still risk in Great Lakes fish

by Zachary M. Peterson
Capital News Service

Fish is "brain food," but can fish also cause brain damage? Maybe.

A new report by the Public Interest Research Group in Michigan (PIRGIM) says that power plant emissions containing mercury continue to pollute waterways and contaminate fish.

Pregnant women who eat contaminated fish can pass mercury through the placenta and expose their developing fetuses. Infants and children are also at risk because their brains continue to develop until age 14.

"Mercury is a neurotoxin, a toxin that affects the brain, which can cause attention and language deficits, impaired memory and impaired visual and motor function in children," said Dr. William Weld, a professor of pediatrics at Michigan State University.

"Pregnant women think that it's a good thing to eat fish, but they don't know the risk involved," he said.

In 2003, Michigan issued mercury-related fish advisories covering all lakes, rivers, and 2,199 miles of Great Lakes coastline.

The Department of Community Health says that mercury and other substances found in local fish aren't known to cause immediate sickness, but accumulate over time, causing developmental problems.

Larger, predator fish are more likely to be contaminated than smaller pan fish and trout, which are lower in fat.

Ron Walters, owner of Walters Fishery in Ludington, said that his customers don't need to worry.

"Mercury is not a concern because everything we have is tested regularly and all our trout are under five pounds," Walters said. PIRGIM is concerned that unaware anglers need to understand the danger of mercury. "Mercury contaminates our environment, puts public health at risk and leaves Michiganders fishing for trouble," said Mike Shriberg, the group's Great Lakes Program Coordinator.

The report proposes a 90 percent reduction in mercury emissions from power plants around the state by 2008.

Rep. Chris Kolb, D-Ann Arbor, said, "The technology exists to reduce emissions right now." He and Rep. Alexander Lipsey, D-Kalamazoo, have sponsored a series of bills to reduce mercury pollution. A House committee will discuss them in November.

Lipsey said that the problem with mercury is twofold. "The emissions are the number-one issue, but there's also an educational issue that people aren't aware of the problem with mercury," he said.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm, who supports measures to protect people and the environment from the adverse effects of mercury, established the Mercury Utility Task Force, which includes representatives of power companies and public interest groups, to discuss reducing levels statewide.

However, Jackson-based Consumers Energy says technology isn't available to handle a 90 percent reduction in emissions by 2008.

"We're working hard at reducing emissions and spending well over $100 million dollars to do so," said Dan Bishop, a public information officer for the company. "Balance between environmental, energy and economic concerns is critical."

Lou Pocalujka, a senior environmental planner for Consumers Energy and member of the governor's task force, said that the controls can't be in place by 2008.

"Getting the necessary add-on controls for coal-burning power plants isn't logistically possible," Pocalujka said. Nothing we can do will produce a 90 percent reduction in less than four years."

Bishop said that Consumers Energy would comply with any U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and state standards that are implemented.

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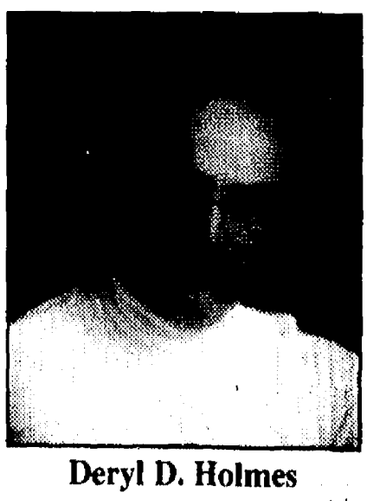
The author worked as an engineer on the Ann Arbor Railroad during the late 1960s and 1970s. He holds a bachelor's degree in journalism and a master's degree in public administration. He has spent the last 20 years working in public relations, politics and journalism. For two of those years, 1984 and 1985, he was the Director of Public Relations at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

According to the *Benzie County Record Patriot* in Frankfort, "Holmes has captured the flavor of the early Benzie County loggers, lumberjacks, sawmills and the enormous influence of the railroad. His book incorporated a pageantry of colorful characters while giving the reader a unique glimpse into the history of the Frankfort area."



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Biodiesel bill may boost local soybean growers

by Zachary M. Peterson
Capital News Service

Michigan soybean growers may reap more benefits in future harvests under a House bill that would require all diesel fuel sold in the state to be 2 percent biodiesel.

Soybeans are the main ingredient in biodiesel, which can be mixed with petroleum-based fuel. It burns cleaner than regular diesel fuel and doesn't require engine modification.

Rep. Neil Nitz, R-Baroda, the primary sponsor, said the bill would help the economy by reducing dependency on foreign oil and promoting renewable energy.

"We need alternative sources of energy. The biodiesel requirement would help our economy by growing a larger market for soybeans in the state," he said.

Reps. Bill Huizenga, R-Zeeland, and John Moolenaar, R-Midland, are among 29 co-sponsors.

The requirement would go into effect when half of the biodiesel fuel needed for the state is produced in Michigan.

Currently, none of the biodiesel used in Michigan is produced here. Users of the fuel have to obtain it from local oil companies, which import it from other states.

Two Michigan refineries are in the works. Ender in Detroit and Zeeland Farm Services in Zeeland are waiting for a guaranteed market before beginning production.

Gail Frahm, executive director of the Michigan Soybean Association in Frankenmuth, agrees that the proposal would benefit farmers.

"This is a great use of soybeans. Farmers are already asking for biodiesel, and requiring it to be produced in the state would create jobs," she said.

Herb Smith, a longtime soybean farmer in Temperance in Monroe County, has used biodiesel for three years. He testified in support of the bill before the House Agriculture and Resource Management Committee.

"I have been using a 20 percent mixture of biodiesel and have had no trouble at all. This is good for the equipment and it's something we help produce ourselves,"

Ithaca farmer Loren Roslund, who also has used biodiesel for three years, said he's noticed only a 2-to-3-cent difference in price per gallon. The benefits are worth the minimal extra cost, Roslund said. "This is a renewable resource and a cleaner product. There is a noticeable difference in the air quality."

In July, the Lansing Board of Water and Light switched its entire diesel fleet of trucks to 20 percent biodiesel.

John Strickler, communications director for the board, said that change has been beneficial because "we've had to do less maintenance, and when the trucks are running, they smell like popcorn."

Dave Eickholt, a farmer since 1972 in Chesaning, would like the proposed requirement to be higher. Since 2001, Eickholt has increased the mixture of biodiesel he uses from 2 percent to 100 percent.

"I swear by biodiesel. I want to support a product I produce. Gasoline is required to be 10 percent ethylnol, and I believe diesel should have a similar requirement," he said.

Eickholt is trying to convince the Chesaning school district to switch its buses to biodiesel. "There is less engine wear, and the health benefits are phenomenal."

Not everyone agrees that the 2 percent requirement would benefit the state, however.

For example, Mark Griffin, president of the Michigan Petroleum Association, said the requirement would not help the economy.

"By ramming it down our throats, you create all kinds of problems with selling and transporting the fuel, which is already more expensive," he said.

If the bill passes, Griffin predicts that consumers will go to other states for cheaper prices. "On their way to buy cigarettes in Indiana, people will buy their diesel fuel as well."

Minnesota is the only state with a biodiesel mandate, but it's not yet in effect.

Nitz's bill cleared the Agriculture and Resource Management Committee. The full House is scheduled to consider it in November.

MORE INFORMATION:

- Read the bill at www.michiganlegislature.org. Type in HB 5942
- National Biodiesel Board www.biodiesel.org
- Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee www.michigansoybean.org
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Spike's Challenge Race donates to storm water retention project

The Spike's Challenge Race, warm-up canoe race before the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, was held on July 17 and 18 bringing paddlers in from Canada and the Midwest. Proceeds raised was just under $600. These funds were turned over to Brad Jensen, Executive Director of the Huron Pines Resource Conservation & Development Area Council, Inc. Another $600 check was given to Brad in May from the funds raised in the 2003 race.

Huron Pines RC&D has been working on a storm water retention project. They have raised funds, completed the environmental studies, and have bids for a contract to begin the construction of the retention sites.

Spike's Keg O'Nails is the single sponsor of the Spike's Challenge Race. The first place contestants of the race won $300, but the river got $600. The river is the real winner, which provides recreation to all and habitat to wildlife.

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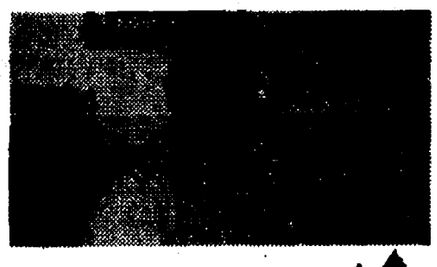

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State seeks to ban 'engineered' fish

by Amy Davis
Capital News Service

State officials are taking steps to prevent bioengineered aquatic organisms from being introduced into Michigan's waters.

A series of bills have been proposed to prohibit non-native or bioengineered aquatic animals and plants from being sold into the state said Bob Wilson, Senate majority policy adviser.

The bills have been sent to the Senate's Natural Resources Committee and may be acted upon early next year. They deal with aquatic invasive species such as the zebra mussel as well as bioengineered fish such as salmon or Asian carp.

The bill would require all persons to have a permit to introduce non-native aquatic species into the state.

Genetically engineered organisms (GEOs) have spawned controversy over the benefits and potential hazards of introducing them into the environment.

Crops such as corn and soybeans can be bioengineered to make them less expensive to grow and more profitable for market or less susceptible to infestations.

Kim Scribner, a Michigan State University associate professor of fisheries and wildlife, said fish such as salmon could be genetically modified to increase their profit on the market.

However, deliberate or inadvertent releases of GEOs into the environment could have negative ecological impacts under some circumstances, Scribner said.

For example, Scribner said fast-growing transgenic salmon that escape from aquaculture net-pens might jeopardize native fish populations. The concern is that the non-native fish would have a reproductive advantage and could out-compete and outbreed the local fish populations, Scribner said.

If passed, Wilson said the bills would not affect Michigan's six state-run fish hatcheries because the facilities do not raise bioengineered fish.

But Michigan's aquaculture hasn't been lured by the potential profits of incorporating science into the 75 private aquaculture fisheries registered throughout the state, said Ted Batterson, director of the North Central Regional Aquaculture Center.

Genetically modified salmon, which can grow six times as fast as normal fish and cost half as much to feed, Batterson said, have not been grown in Michigan, despite the economic benefits they offer.

"It's not a major concern in Michigan, and as far as I know, no one is doing any work to genetically modify fish," Batterson said.

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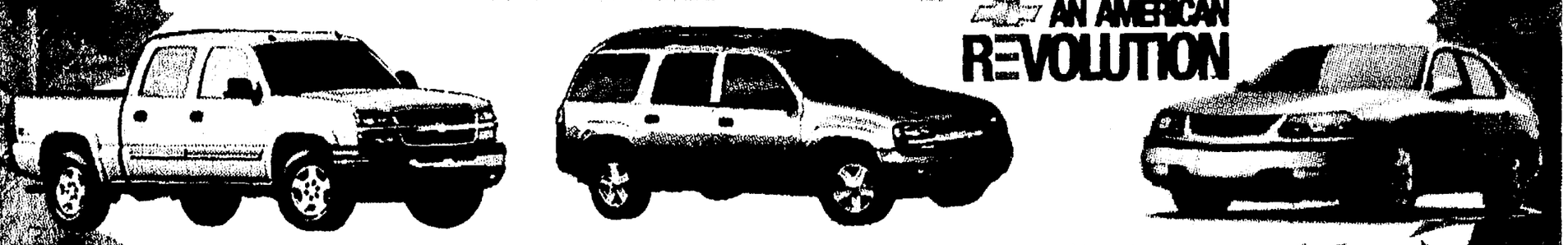

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GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following during the week of October 10-17: Two traffic warnings, two misdemeanor arrests, one OUIL, three assist other departments, two traffic accidents, five city ordinance violations and the following complaints: two larceny, two civil, two alarm, one disturbing the peace, five juvenile, one harassment, and 17 unclassified.

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Megan L. Fekete recently began studies at Allegheny College, a selective liberal arts college located in northwestern Pennsylvania. Fekete is a graduate of Grayling High School.

Allegheny also named Fekete as a Trustee Scholar, an achievement-based award for students with strong academic records, usually from the top ten percent of their high school classes, or other distinguished achievements.

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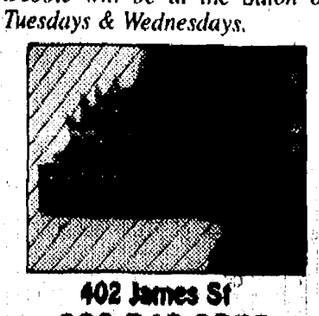

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SPORTS & RECREATION

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Crawford County Avalanche Thursday, October 21, 2004

Football team moves to 7-1 with win at Charlevoix

Bancroft runs 48 times for 249 yards in 21-7 victory

■ Vikings to finish regular season with home game on Friday night

The Grayling High School varsity football team improved its season record to 7-1 with a 21-7 victory vs. the Charlevoix Rayders at Charlevoix on Friday night.

Charlevoix had seven turnovers in the game overall, with five of them coming in the first half. Grayling led 14-0 at the half. The Rayders scored their only touchdown of the game on a 12-yard pass on fourth down in the third quarter.

Grayling scored three touchdowns – two on the ground and one through the air – and rushed for over 300 yards in the 14-point victory. The team also had 133 yards passing.

On offense, the Vikings were led by: Joey Bancroft, 48 carries, 249 yards rushing, two touchdowns; Kevin LaTreille, 10 carries, 51 yards; Bobby Starks, 10 for 15 passing for 133 yards, one touchdown; Eli VanNuck, three receptions, 70 yards; Zach Dean, two receptions, including a 5-yard touchdown catch; Gibson Tobin, two receptions, 30 yards; Reagan Schmidt, one reception, 35 yards; Zac Baker, two receptions, 20 yards.

"We controlled the ball for most of the night by running it 58 times," Coach Ben Brock said. "Joey Bancroft was our workhorse tonight running the ball 48 times for 249 yards. Our offensive line dominated up front as we controlled the clock for most of the game. We had no fumbled snaps the entire game and it rained for the whole second half. That's tremendous for (quarterback) Bobby Starks and (center) Billy Stewart to be able to focus like that in those conditions."

Defensive leaders for Grayling were: Matt Swope, 7 tackles, 2 fumble recoveries, 1 sack; Jeff Bancroft, 5 tackles, 1 interception; LaTreille, 7 tackles; Baker, 1 interception; Tobin, 1 interception.

"Our defense led by Matt Swope forced five turnovers in the first half and seven in the game. Swope also had two fumble recoveries to go along with his seven tackles and a sack. Gibson Tobin, Zac Baker, and Jeff Bancroft all had interceptions and that really changed the momentum early on," Coach Brock said. "Coach Sanchez has put together dominant game plans all season. Our defense has averaged giving up 10 points per contest and that is something

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THE 2004 GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF TEAM:
- ► Won a league championship in the Lake Michigan Conference and five Vikings earned all-league honors
- ► Placed 1st at regionals to qualify for the Division III state golf finals
- ► Finished second at the state finals and brought home the Division III runner-up trophy

Viking golfers finish 2nd at state finals

Grayling wins runner-up trophy in Division III

■ Derek Johnston places 7th overall at state with a score of 160

Grayling High School's boys golf team, which won a conference championship and a regional championship this year, posted a second place finish at the state finals last week to finish as the runner-up in Division III.

At last week's state golf finals, held at Eastern Michigan University's Eagle Crest Golf Course, the Vikings battled good teams and bad weather.

"What a tournament! Not only a very tough Eagle Crest Golf Course, but weather that would cause the most addicted golfer to find another activity. Friday's seven-hour round included about five hours of steady rain with temperatures in the 40s. And although the rain lessened on Saturday, it was colder and the wind was much stronger," Coach Herb Olson said.

"After Friday's round we were tied for 3rd with Lansing Catholic Central, five strokes behind Kalamazoo Christian, and four behind Jackson Lumen Christi. About halfway through the round on Saturday we were confident that we had made up the margin and were leading the tournament, but knew that the two trophies still hadn't been decided. Lansing Catholic Central simply played the final holes better than we did. But every single one of the 667 strokes our Grayling boys played mattered. Our runner-up finish wouldn't have allowed one more stroke. It amazes me how slight the margin can be to determine results," Coach Olson said.

Lansing Catholic Central finished first in Division III at 662 (333, 329). Grayling posted a 667 (333, 334) to finish second. Jackson Lumen Christi took third with a 668 (329, 339).

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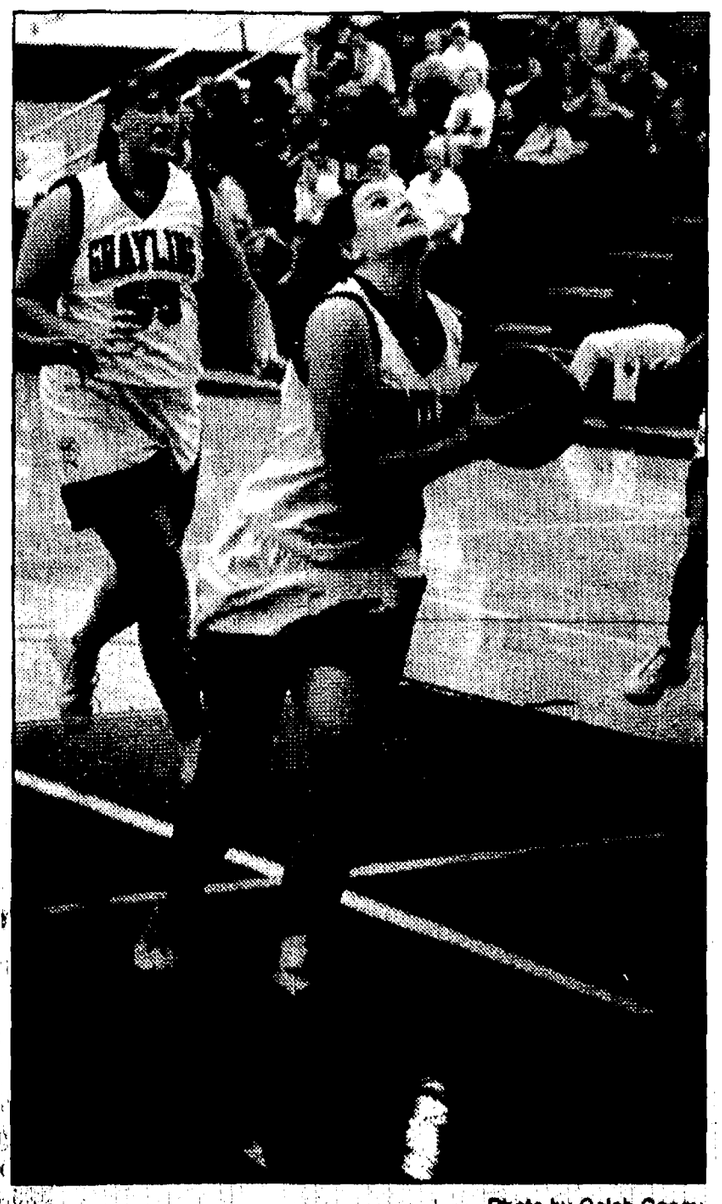
GHS golf team members at the state finals: (left to right) Assistant Coach Ken Smith, Jack Hagerman, Ryan Davis, Josh Hinkle, Derek Johnston, James Walker, Ron Johnston, Brady Ward, Coach Herb Olson.

Vikings defeat Blazers 58-42



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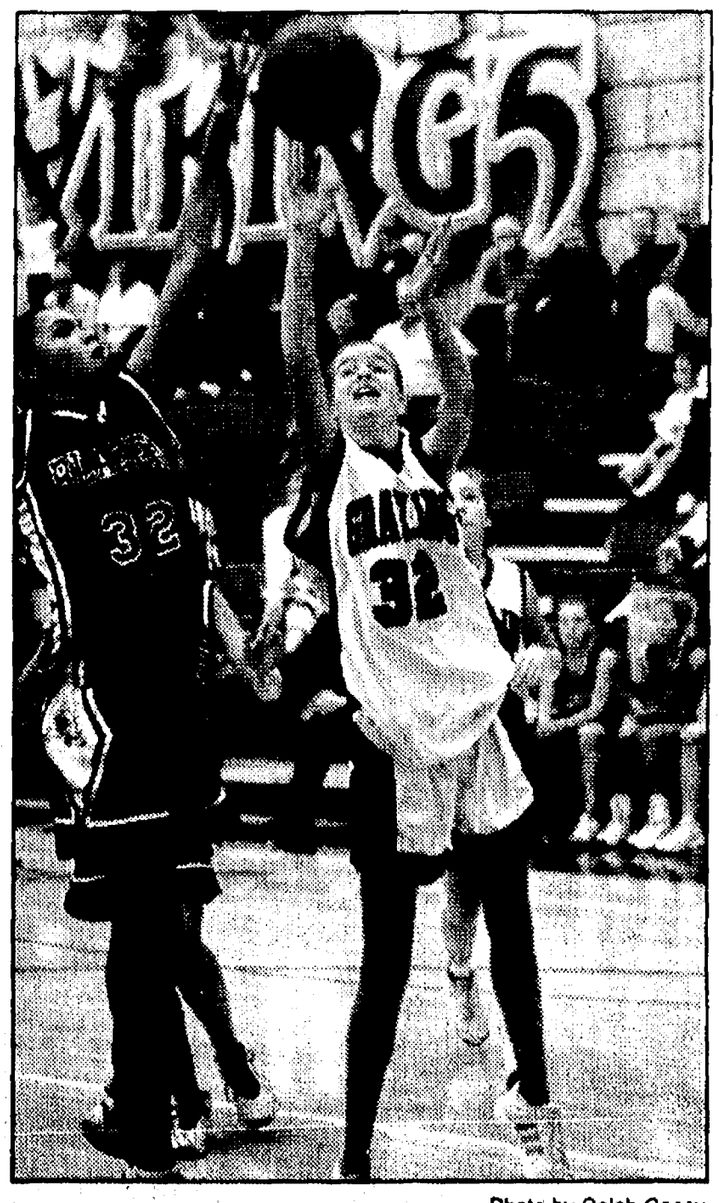
Kelly Dunckley drives to the basket for Grayling in last Tuesday's varsity game vs. Kalkaska. For more on the varsity team, see Page 2B.

JV girls fall to Kalkaska 34-27



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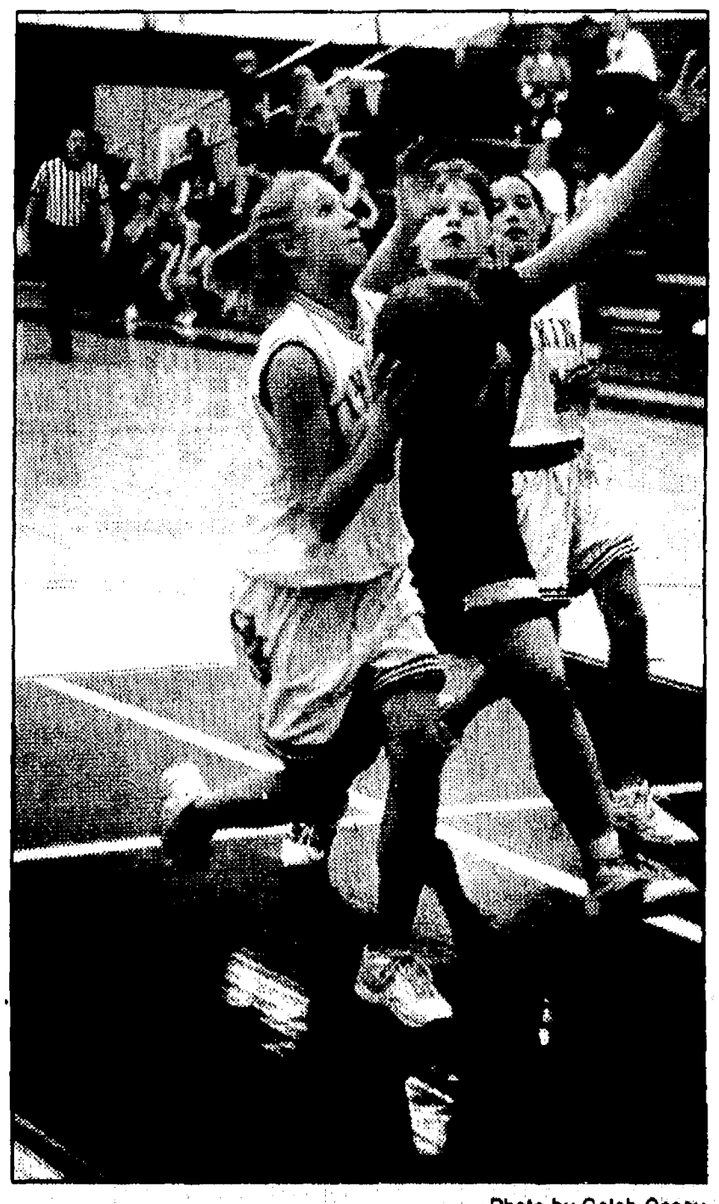
Abby Wheeler shoots for Grayling's JV team against the Kalkaska Blazers on Tuesday night. For more on the JV team, see Page 5B.

9th grade team wins by six



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Rachel Doremire takes the ball to the basket in Tuesday's freshman girls basketball game vs. Lake City. For more on the 9th grade team, see Page 4B.

VIOXX ALERT Merck Pharmaceutical has recalled the popular pain and arthritis medication Vioxx (refecoxib) off the market after studies revealed that it may increase the risk of blood clots, stroke and heart attack and death. According to acting FDA commissioner Dr. Lester M. Crawford, "Overall, patients taking the drug chronically face twice the risk of heart attack compared to patients receiving a placebo." If you or a loved one have suffered a stroke, heart attack or died after taking Vioxx, call Silverman & Fodera or visit www.civilrights.com.

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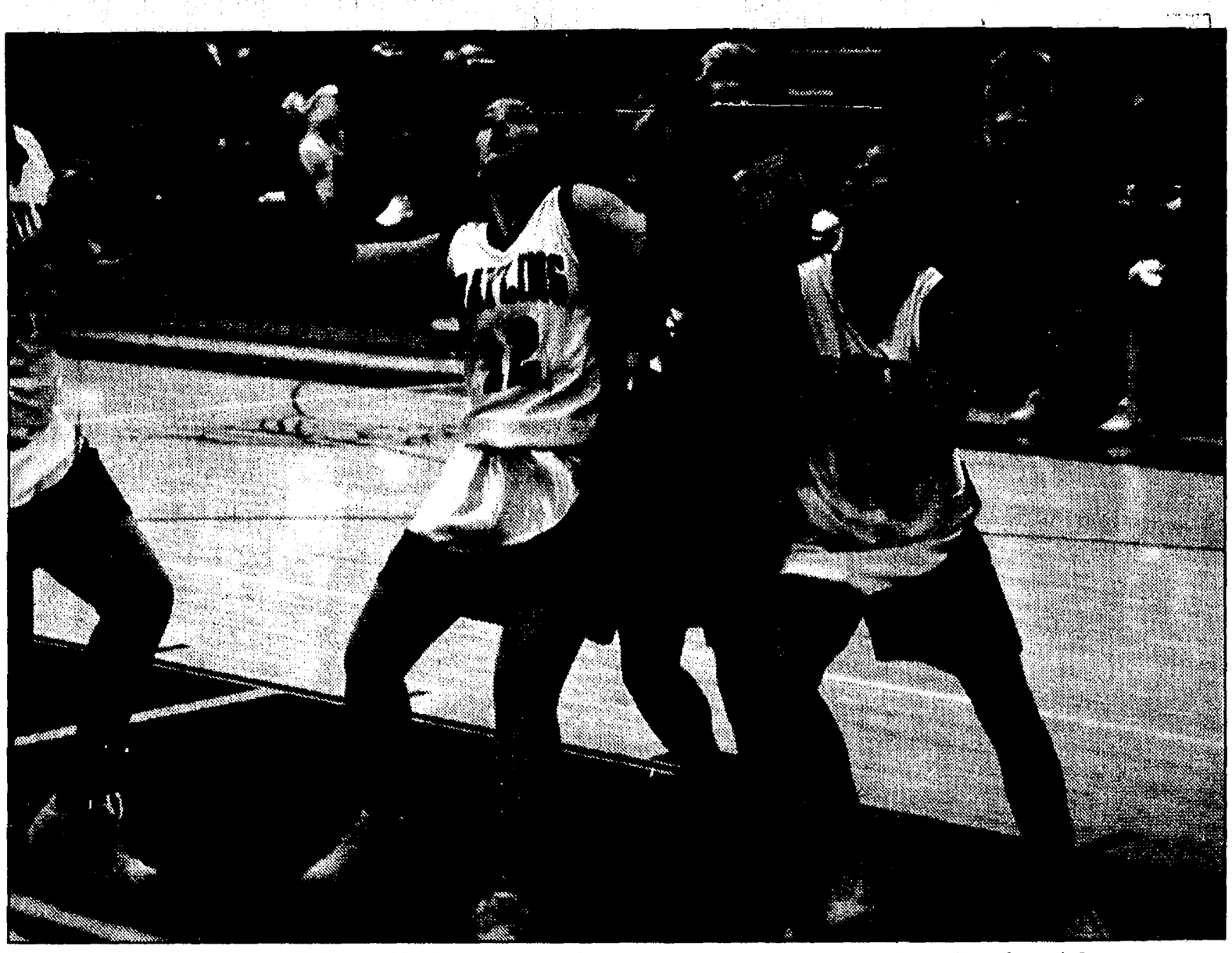

Andrea Southard (left) and Jenny VanNuck (right) box out on a rebound attempt on Tuesday night.

Vikings defeat Blazers 58-42

■ Varsity girls basketball team wins home game vs. Kalkaska

The GHS varsity girls basketball team defeated the Kalkaska Blazers 58-42 in a game at Grayling High School last Tuesday.

Grayling led 29-16 at halftime and added to its advantage with a 17-13 third quarter.

"I like the energy we played with tonight. We got after loose balls, created turnovers, and crashed the glass. Offensively, we are getting stronger. Kalkaska showed us a variety of defenses and we had an answer for everything they threw at us," Coach L.J. Mead said.

Mandy Czapek posted a triple-double for Grayling with 14 points, 14 rebounds, and 12 blocks (plus 3 assists and 4 steals); Trisha Petersen had 11 points, 4 rebounds, and 3 assists; Michelle McGuire scored 17 points; Katie Baynham had 5 points, 5 rebounds, and 2 assists; Kelly Dunckley had 6 points; and Jenny VanNuck scored 3 points.

On Thursday, the Vikings lost a road game at Traverse City St. Francis 57-33.

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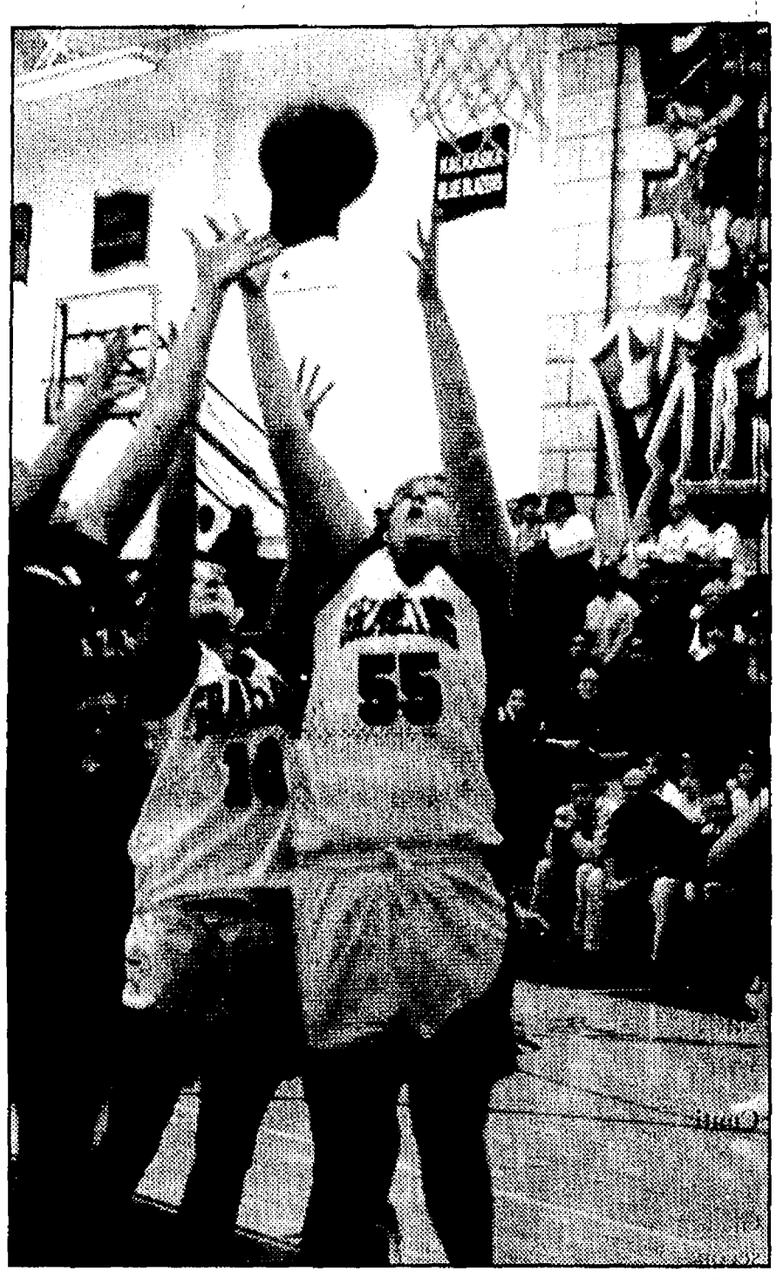

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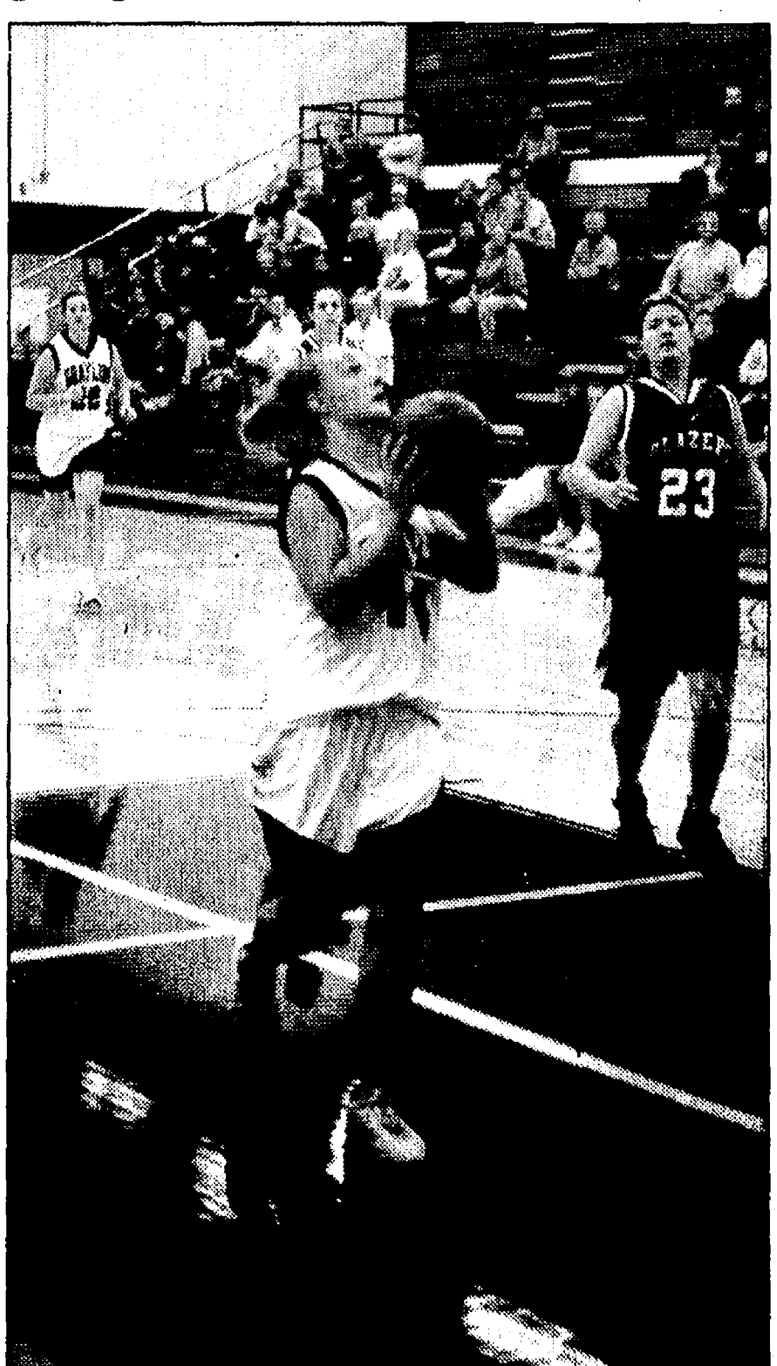
Mandy Czapek goes up for a rebound in Tuesday's game against the Blazers of Kalkaska.



Katie Baynham drives toward the basket for a lay-up in last week's game vs. Kalkaska.

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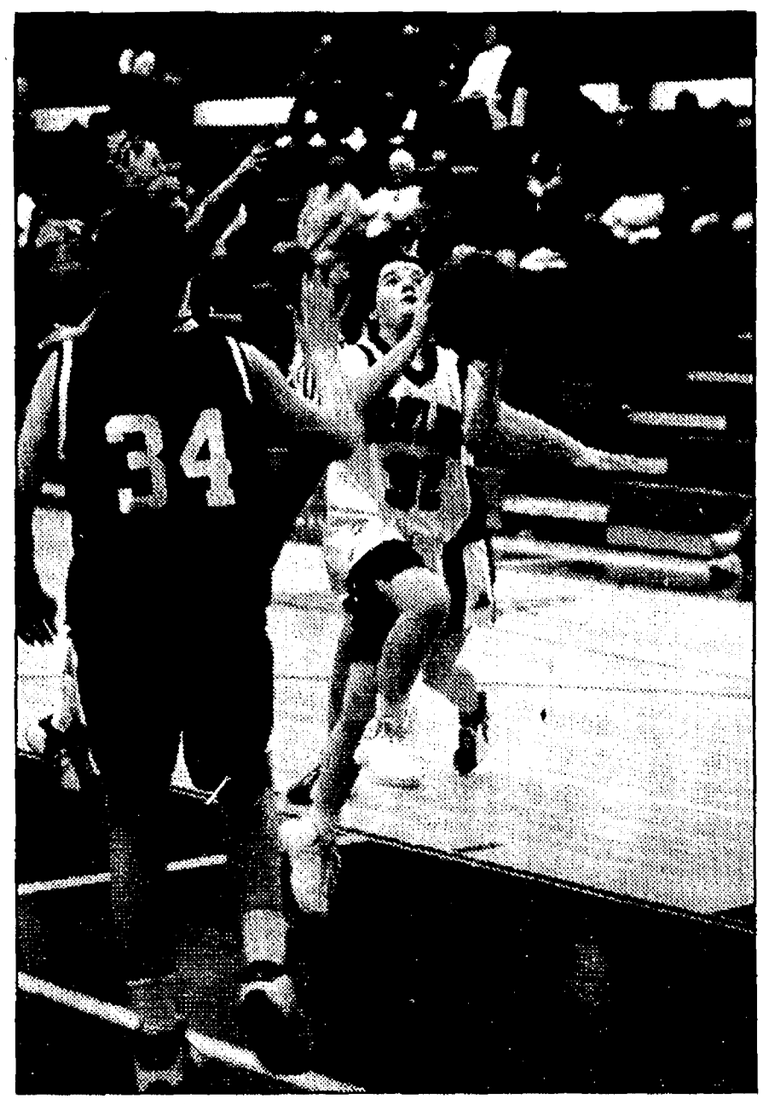
Michelle McGuire handles the ball for the Vikings vs. Kalkaska.



Trisha Petersen drives to the basket for GHS against the Blazers on Tuesday.

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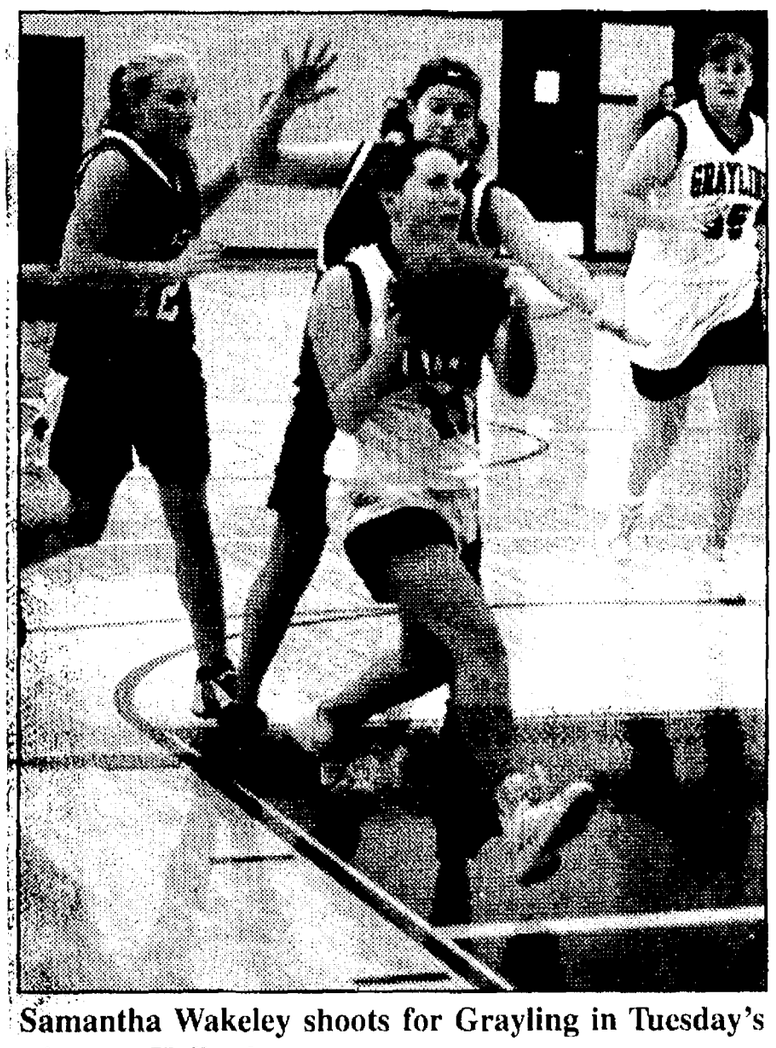

Samantha Wakeley shoots for Grayling in Tuesday's win over Kalkaska.

Andrea Southard looks to pass the ball in Tuesday's game vs. the Blazers.

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After two quarters, Grayling trailed by four (23-19), but the Gladiators pulled away in the second half to win it.

"We played a strong first half on both sides of the ball. Injuries and foul trouble plagued us in the second half. With two key players unable to dress due to injury our bench became really short as fouls piled up," Coach Mead said.

For Grayling, Czapek had 6 points, 19 rebounds, and 7 blocks; Dunckley had 10 points, 5 rebounds, and 2 assists; Baynham had 6 points, 10 rebounds, and 2 assists; VanNuck scored 4 points; and Riddle scored 4 points.

Grayling's 2004 season record is now 6-8.

The Vikings will host West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Thursday, October 21. The JV game starts at 6 p.m.

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Kelly Dunckley handles the ball for Grayling in the post area on Tuesday.

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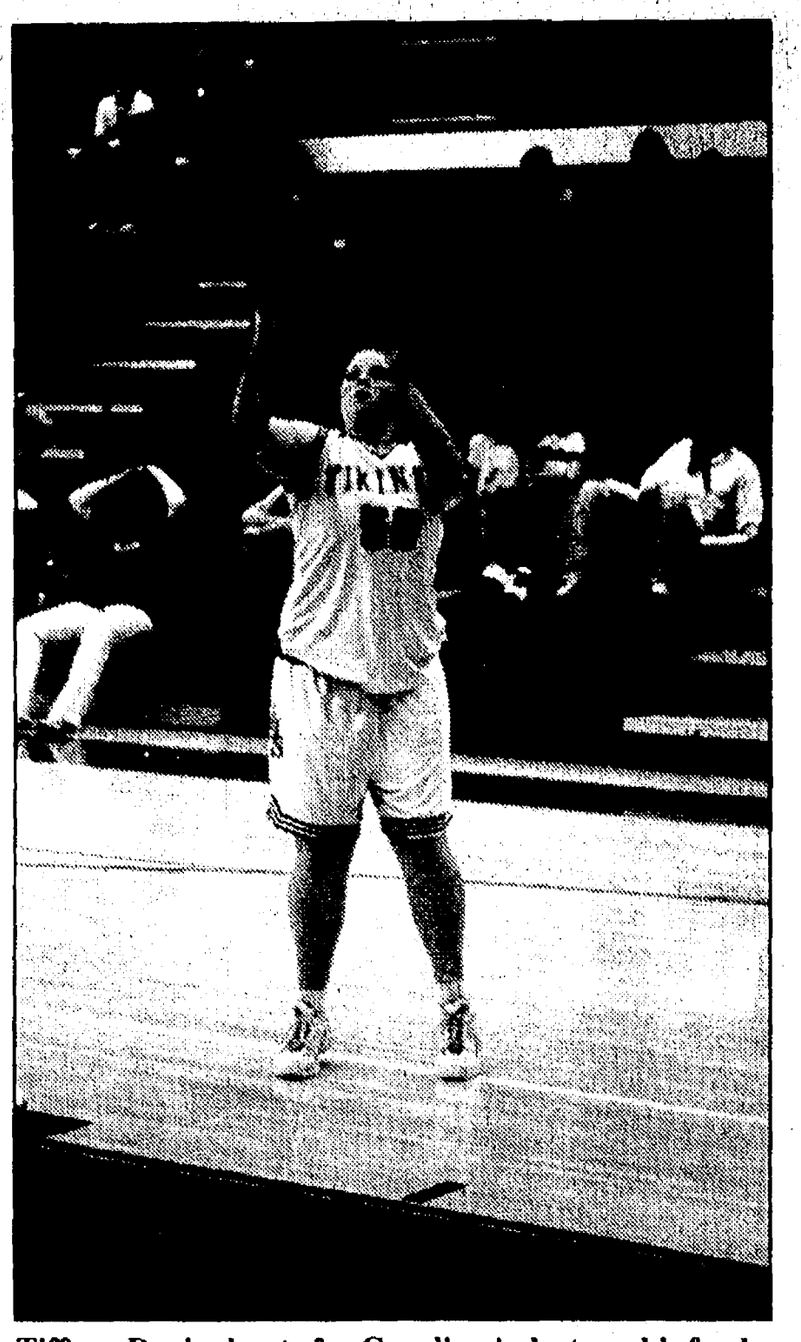
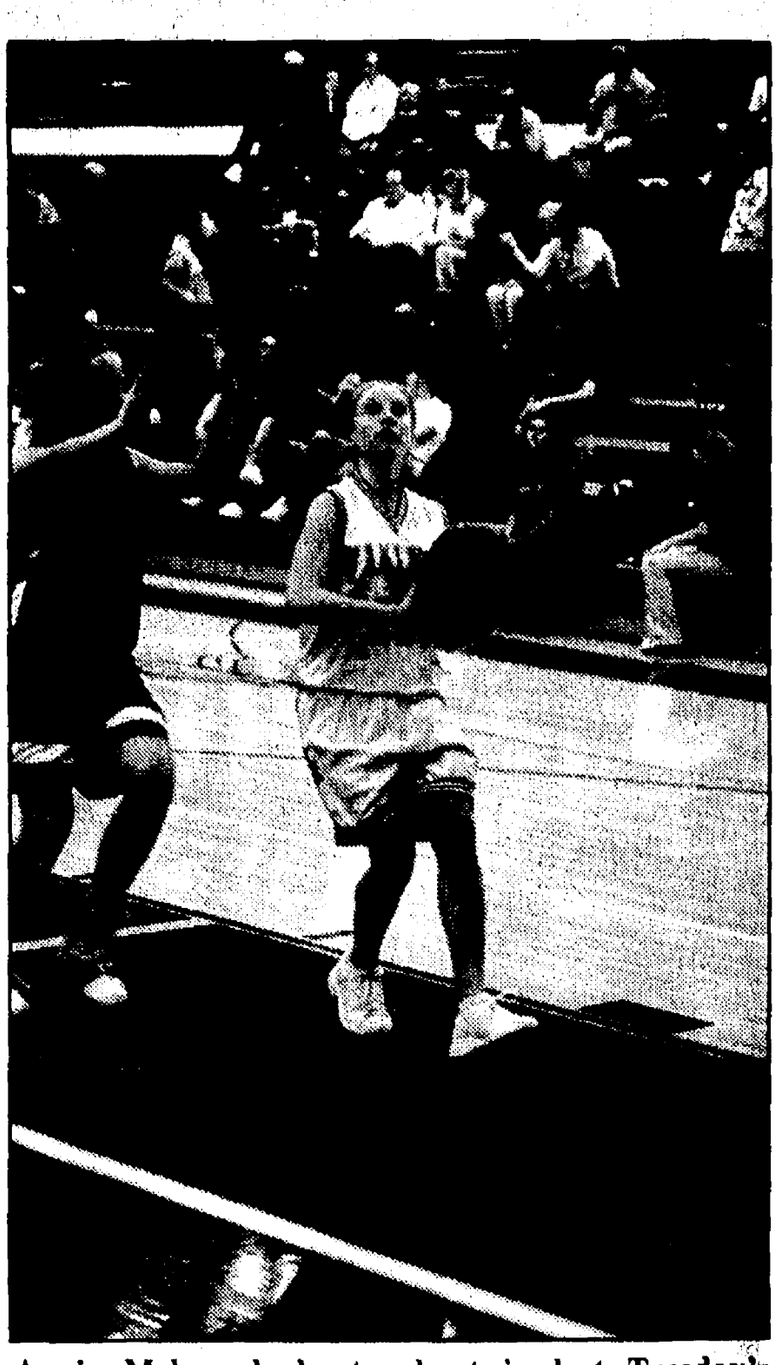


Tiffany Davis shoots for Grayling in last week's freshman girls basketball game vs. Lake City.



Annie Melroy looks to shoot in last Tuesday's Grayling vs. Lake City match-up.

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9th grade team wins by six vs. Lake City

■ Freshman girls basketball team wins home game 47-41 on Tuesday

The Vikings of Grayling High School won last Tuesday's freshman girls basketball game vs. Lake City 47-41 at GHS.

Grayling trailed by three after one quarter (13-10) but led by three at halftime (20-17). The Vikings took a 31-25 advantage into the fourth quarter.

Grayling scored first in the fourth period on a jump shot by Rachel Doremire. Lake City scored a basket and two free throws to pull within two, 33-31.

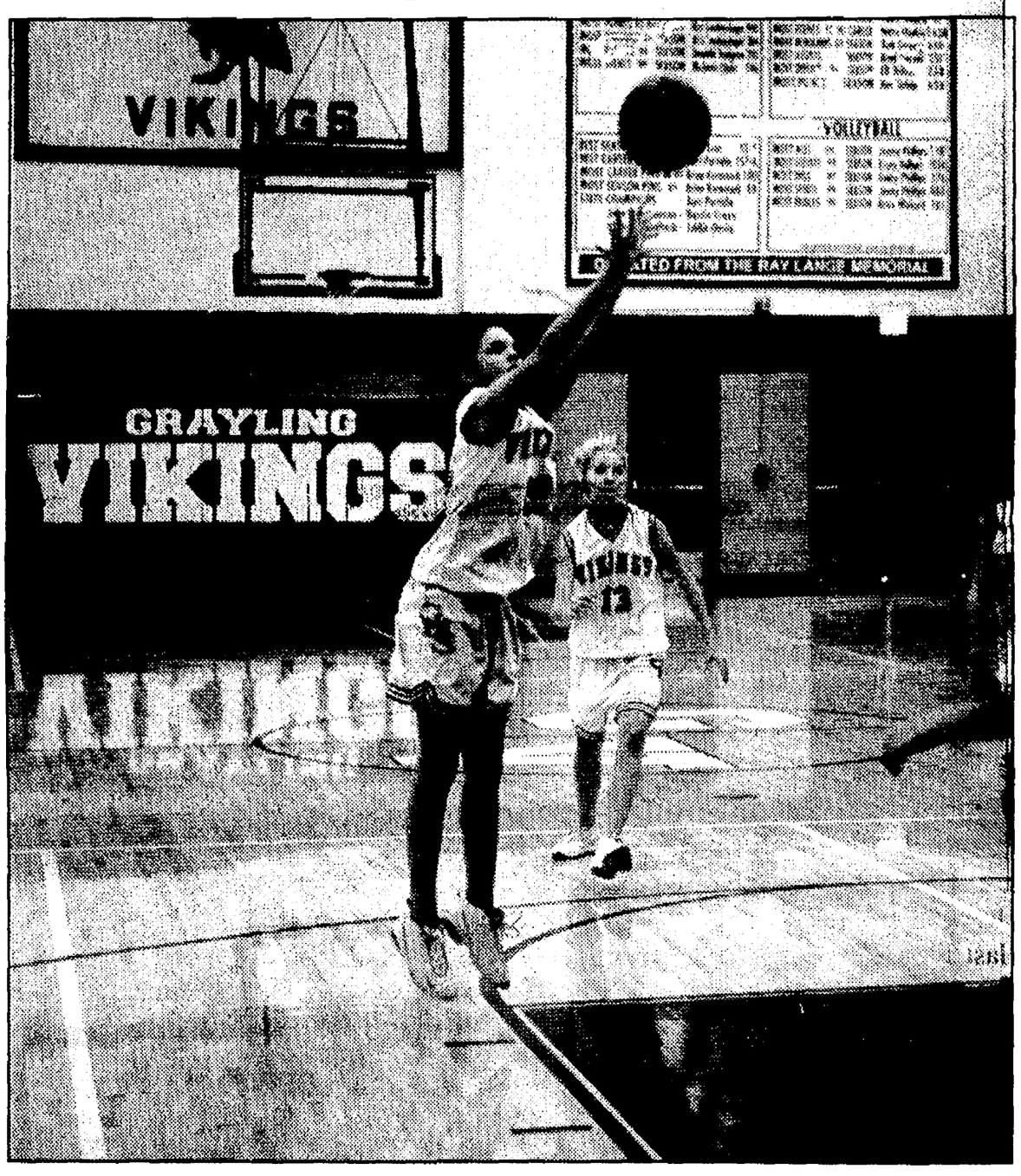
The Vikings responded with a 6-0 run that included two jump shots by Audrey Alimenti and one basket by Jessie Baker.

Lake City then scored six unanswered points to pull back within two.

Grayling countered with an 8-0 run to extend its lead to 10. The run included a lay-up by Doremire, a shot inside by Baker, a free throw by Doremire, and a three-pointer by Annie Melroy.

Lake City scored two baskets in the final minute of regulation but GHS held on for the 47-41 victory.

The Vikings will host Charlevoix on Tuesday, October 26, at 4:15 p.m.



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Jessie Baker takes a jump shot for Grayling on Tuesday night.

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JV girls fall to Kalkaska Blazers 34-27

Grayling leads 20-15 at halftime, Kalkaska comes back to win

Grayling High School's junior varsity girls basketball team lost to Kalkaska and Traverse City St. Francis last week.

On Tuesday, the Vikings fell to the Kalkaska Blazers 34-27 at GHS.

Grayling had a 20-15 lead at halftime, but didn't score a point in the third quarter and Kalkaska went on to win by seven.

"We were beating Kalkaska 20-15 at the half. Then we didn't play as well the second half and lost the lead in the third quarter," Coach Kelly McCoy said.

For Grayling, Ashley Bindschatel had 12 points, 3 rebounds, 2 blocks, 2 assists, and 5 steals; Jessica Bobenmoyer had 4 points, 9 rebounds, 2 blocks, and 1 steal; Abby Wheeler had 4 points, 5 rebounds, 4 blocks, 1 assist, and 2 steals; Amber Palmer had 4 points, 4 rebounds, 1 block, 1 assist, and 1 steal; Monica Leslie had 2 points and 1 rebound; and Krystal Babbitt had 1 point and 2 steals.

On Thursday, the Vikings lost to the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators 48-32 at TC.

"Our team played strong defense throughout the game. Even with all our turnovers (43) we played along with St. Francis. The score was 7-11 at the half. They outscored us 13-2 in the third quarter. We made a comeback in the fourth outscoring them 21-9," Coach McCoy said.

For the Vikings, Bindschatel had 13 points, 6 rebounds, 1 block, 1 assist, and 3 steals; Bobenmoyer had 9 points, 6 rebounds, 2 blocks, and 1 steal; Leslie had 6 points, 1 rebound, and 1 steal; Palmer had 3 points, 3 rebounds, 1 block, and 1 assist; and Kelly Lange had 2 points, 3 rebounds, 1 block, and 1 steal.

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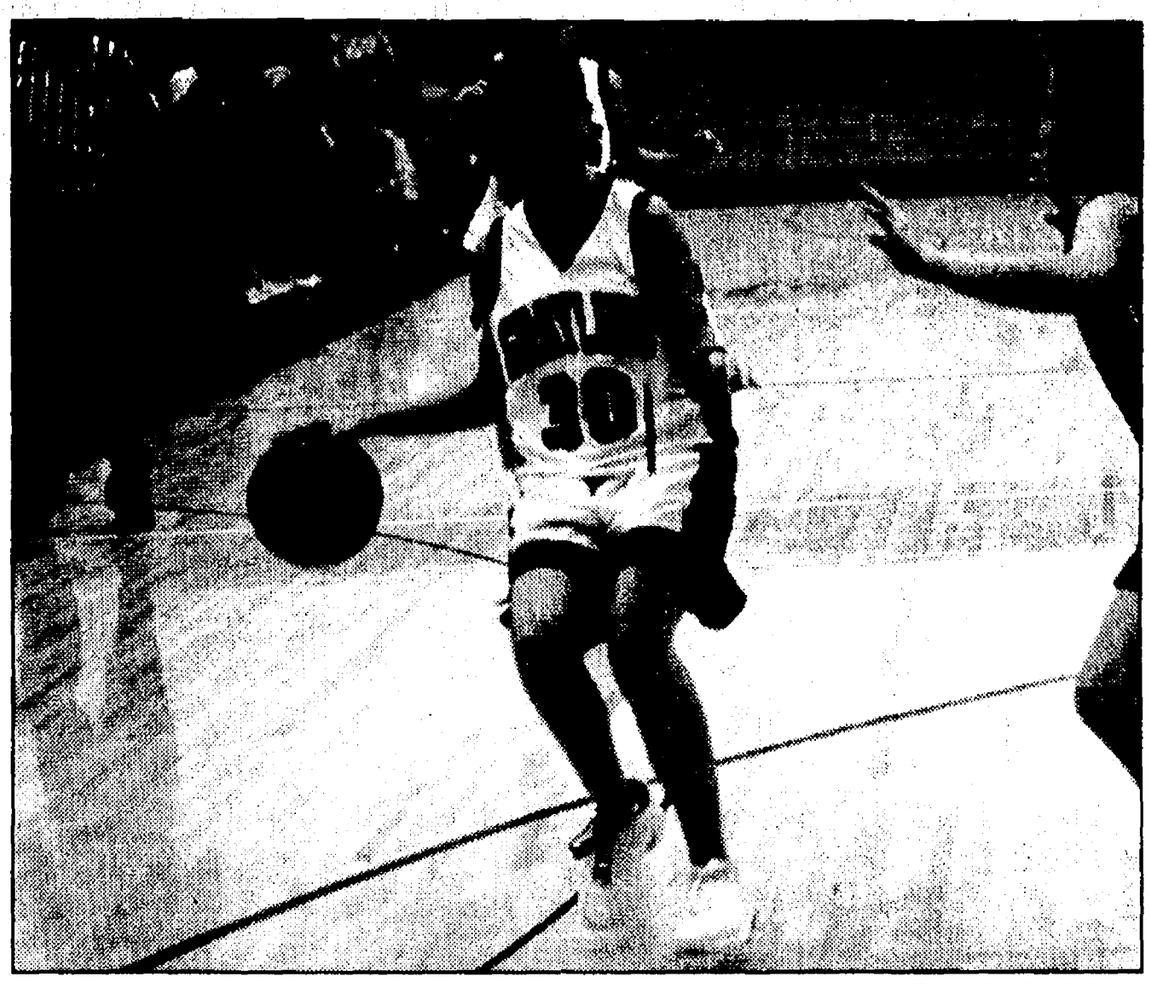

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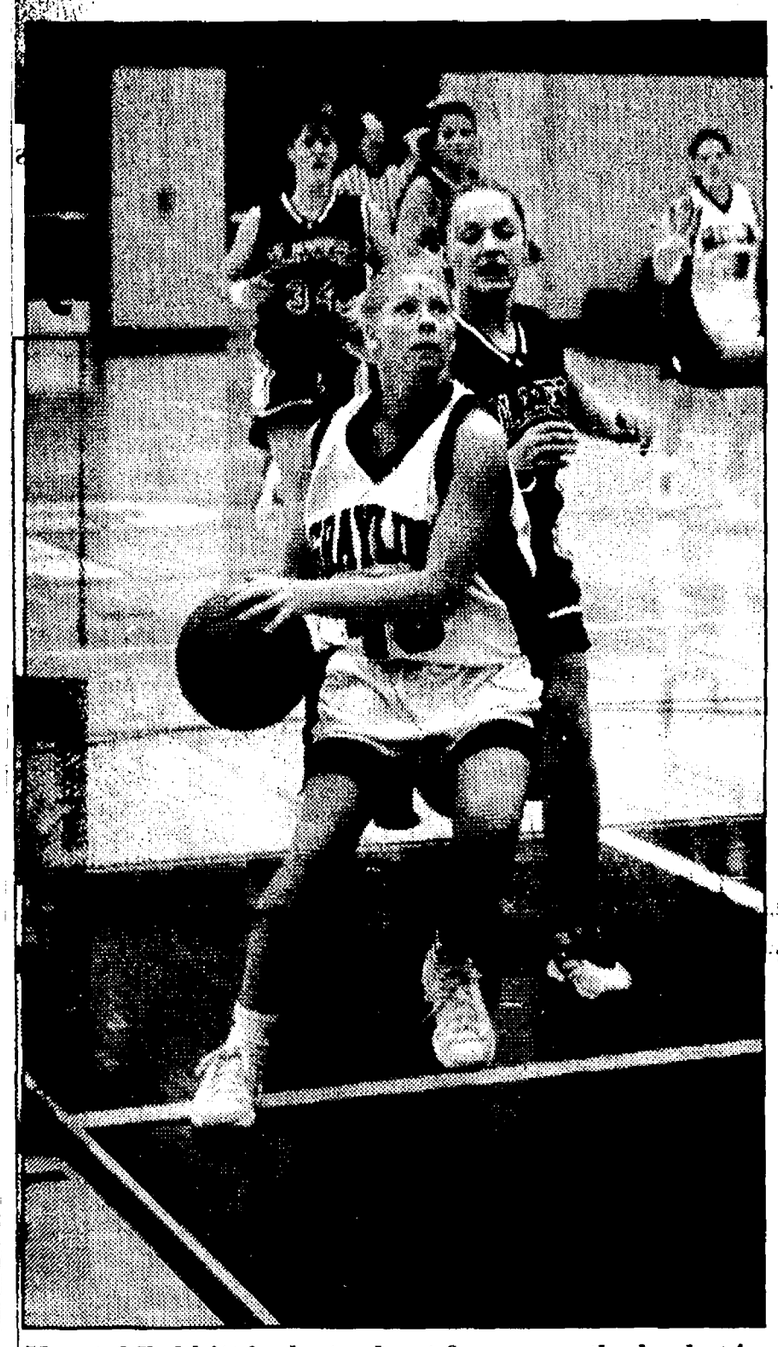
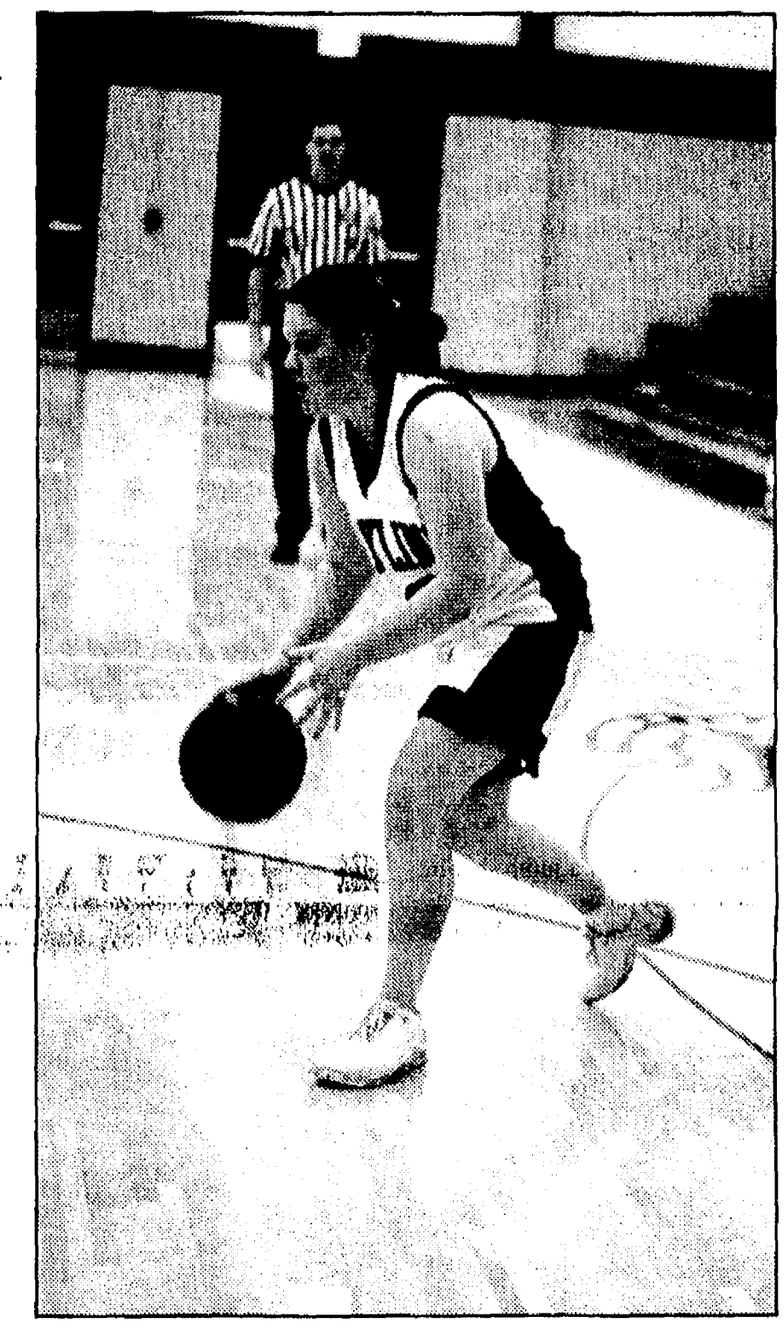
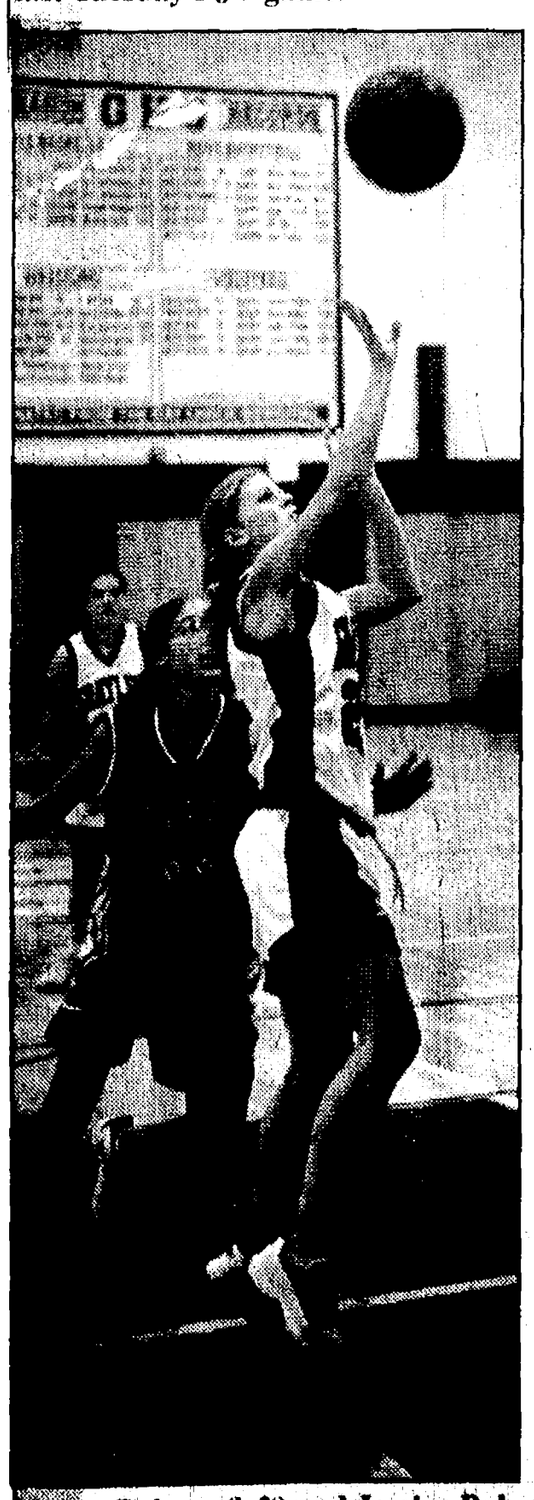
Monica Leslie controls the ball for Grayling in Tuesday's game vs. Kalkaska.

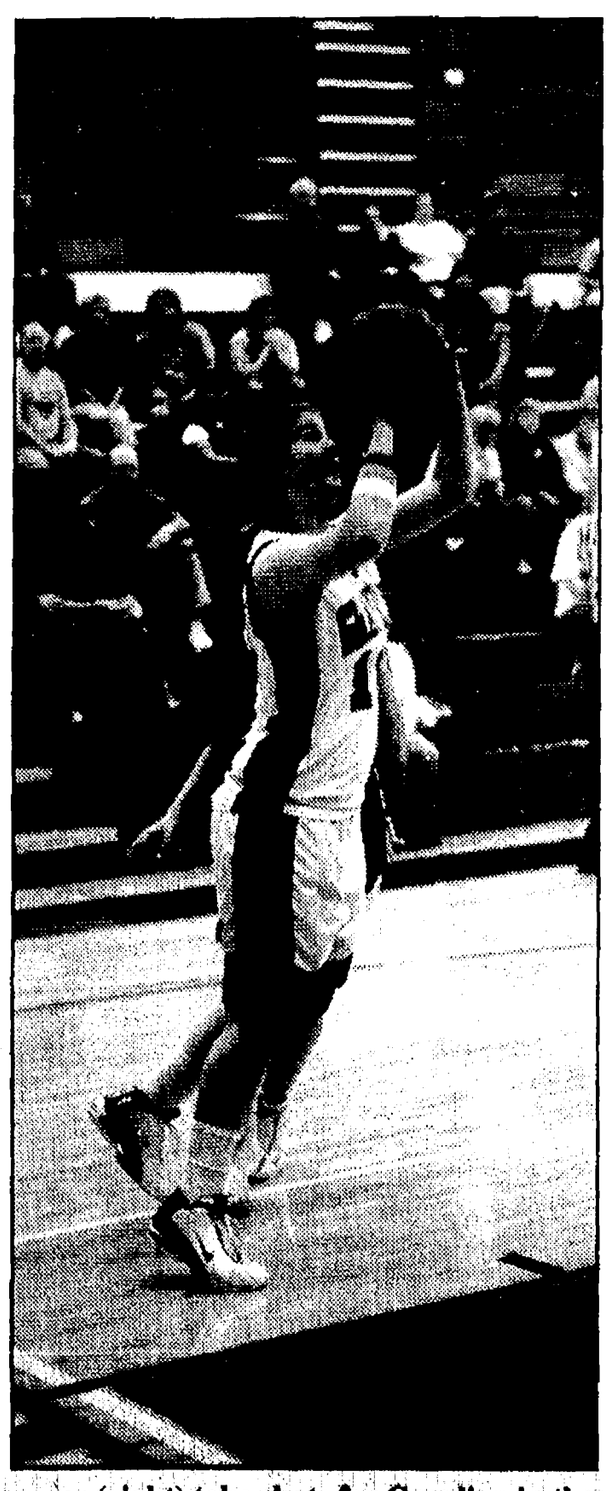


Krystal Babbitt looks to shoot from near the basket in last Tuesday's JV game.



Ashley Bindschatel handles the ball for GHS in Tuesday night's contest at Grayling.





Amber Palmer (left) and Jessica Bobenmoyer (right) take shots for Grayling in the JV game vs. Kalkaska last week.

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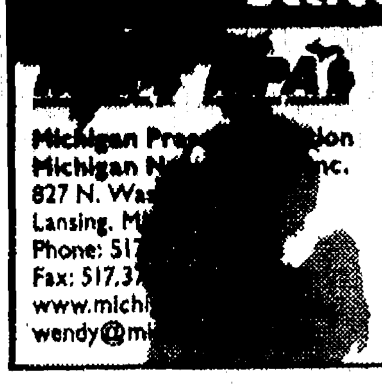

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Ryan Cooper runs the ball for Grayling in last week's game vs. Charlevoix.

Adam Gabriel intercepts a Chalevoix pass on defen on Thursday.

JV team falls to 5-2-1 with loss to Rayders

■ **Vikings commit 7 turnovers vs. Charlevoix in 29-0 loss on Thursday**

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

On a rainy night at Grayling High School last Thursday, the visiting Charlevoix Rayders defeated GHS 29-0 in a turnover-filled junior varsity football game.

The two teams combined for 10 turnovers in the contest – six on interceptions and four on lost fumbles. The Vikings were intercepted four times and lost three fumbles in the match.

On the first series of the game, Grayling ended Charlevoix's drive with an interception by Adam Gabriel on the fifth play of the possession.

Grayling fumbled the ball on the second play of its resulting series and Charlevoix recovered. The next two drives ended with punts.

The Rayders drove from their own 48 to Grayling's 8-yard line on seven plays to bring up 1st and goal. Grayling's defense held and forced a turnover on downs.

On 1st and 10, Ryan Cooper broke free for a 24-yard run. Two plays later, GHS fumbled and Charlevoix came away with the ball.

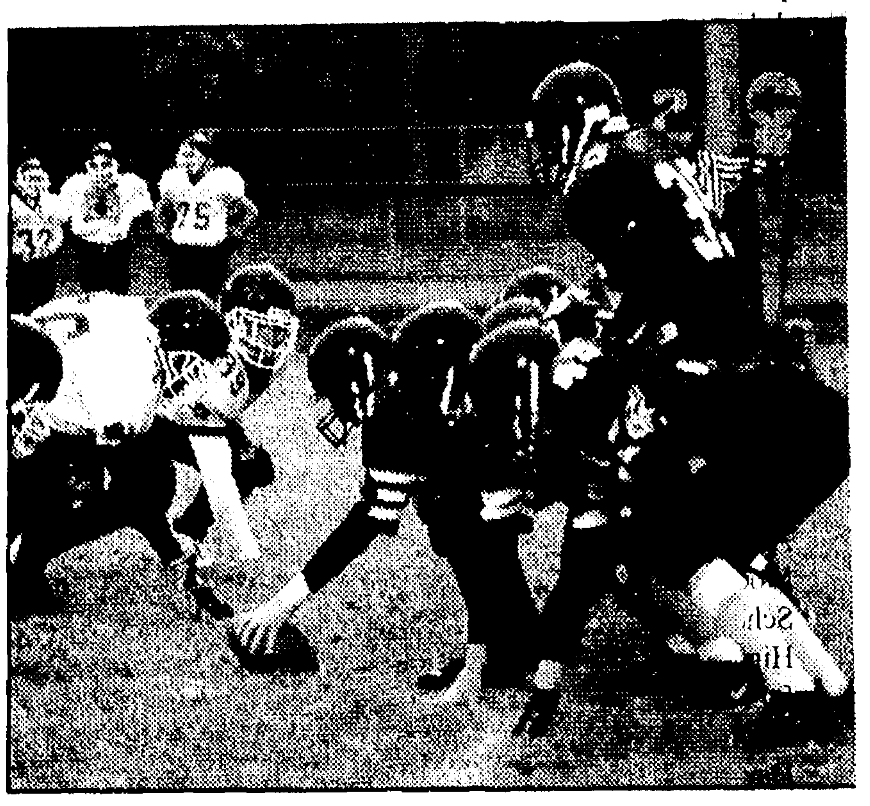
The Rayders capitalized on the turnover with a seven-play, 47-yard touchdown drive. Charlevoix scored the TD on a 32-yard pass play on 4th and 21. With the extra point kick, Charlevoix led 7-0.

Grayling moved into Rayder territory but surrendered the ball on downs. The next three drives ended with punts.

The Vikings moved across midfield with a deep pass from Gabriel, the QB, to Josh Stapleton. Two plays later, an interception ended the drive.

On the fourth play of the next Charlevoix series, Derek Etzler picked off a Rayder pass. Grayling took a knee to kill the final four seconds of the first half and Charlevoix led 7-0 at halftime.

Grayling got the ball to start the second half. The Vikings moved across the 50, but a fumble on 3rd and 9 brought up a punting situation. Grayling ran a fake punt, but the pass fell incomplete.



Grayling's offense sets up for a play against Charlevoix on Thursday night.

On the second play of Charlevoix's series, the Rayders fumbled and Troy Wilson covered the ball for Grayling.

The Vikings started at Charlevoix's 45. Two runs by Tim VanNuck picked up a first down. On 1st and 10, VanNuck ran for another 11 yards. Two plays later, the Rayders intercepted a Grayling pass at the line of scrimmage and returned the ball 78 yards for a touchdown. With the extra point kick

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Viking golfers finish 2nd at state finals

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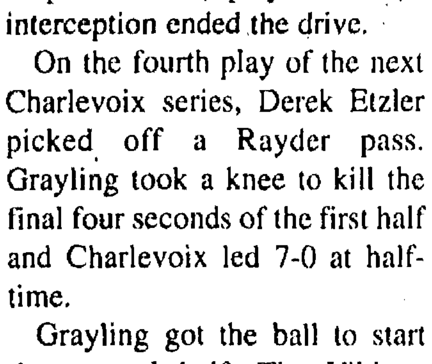
The Vikings were led by Derek Johnston, who finished 7th overall at 160 (78, 82). Ryan Davis scored a 164 (81, 83), Ron Johnston finished at 168 (81, 87), Josh Hinkle shot a 175 (93, 82), and James Walker posted a score of 192 (96, 96).

"Bringing home the runner-up trophy capped off a great season for us. We won three invitationals, the Lake Michigan Conference title, our regional championship, and defeated 176 of the 184 teams we played against," Coach Olson said. "Congratulations to Traverse City St. Francis, Division IV champions! Our Lake Michigan Conference brought home two big trophies and has reason to be proud."

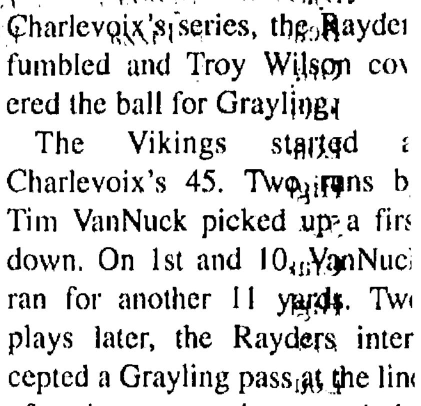
Holiday Inn
Viking of the Week



Girls Basketball
Coach: L.J. Mead
MANDY CZAPEK

Mandy leads all of northwest Michigan in blocks (5.4 per game) and rebounds (13.6 per game). She posted her second triple-double of the year against Kalkaska with 18 points, 14 rebounds, and 12 blocks.

Paul Olson
Municipal Underwriters of Michigan
Viking of the Week



Boys Golf
Coach: Herb Olson
RYAN DAVIS

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JV team falls to 5-2-1 with loss to Rayders

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Charlevoix led 14-0.

Grayling's next drive ended with an interception on the third play of the possession.

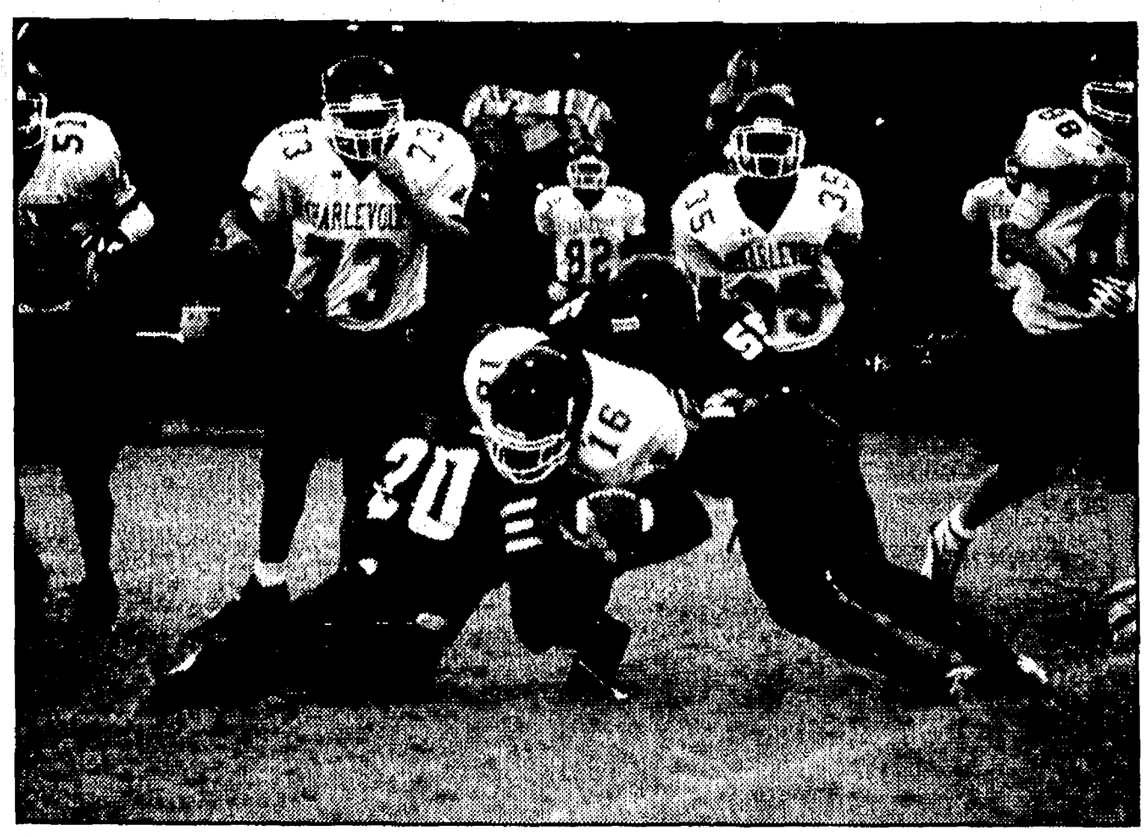
Charlevoix went for a deep pass on 1st and 10 and gained 44 yards. On 3rd and 1, the Vikings moved Charlevoix back with a quarterback sack. An incomplete pass on 4th and 11 resulted in a turnover on downs. Grayling ran three plays and punted.

The Rayders drove 55 yards on 10 plays and capped the series with a 3-yard TD run on 1st and goal. With the extra point kick, Charlevoix led 21-0 with 7:22 left in regulation.

On the second play of Grayling's next drive, the Vikings fumbled the snap and Charlevoix recovered.

On Charlevoix's fourth play of the resulting possession – 4th and 11 – the Rayder quarterback ran the ball 21 yards into the end zone for a touchdown. On the conversion attempt, the Rayders fumbled the snap but the kicker picked the up ball and ran into the end zone for two points.

Grayling ran three plays and punted. Charlevoix killed the last 1:42 of clock time and won the game by a final score of 29-0.



Nick Parkinson and Tim Hatley tackle a Chalevoix ball carrier in last week's game at Grayling High School.

Offensive leaders for GHS were: Cooper, 19 carries, 68 yards rushing; VanNuck, 9 carries, 39 yards rushing; Gabriel, 3 for 10 passing for 48 yards; Parkinson, 2 receptions, 23 yards; Stapleton, 1 catch, 25 yards.

Defensive leaders for the Vikings were: VanNuck, 11 tackles; Parkinson, 10 tackles; Jake Reynolds, 8 tackles; Tim Hatley, 6 tackles; Rob Schultes, 5 tackles; Dan CdeBaca, 5 tackles.

"It's hard to win a game when you have seven turnovers, but even harder when you don't line up correctly and take plays off," Coach Chris Kucharek said.

"This week our kids need to be coachable," Coach Ron Wyman said.

With the loss, Grayling's season record now stands at 5-2-1.

The Vikings will finish their 2004 season with a game at East Jordan on Thursday, October 21, at 6 p.m.

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Fenton's Auto . . . . . 18 - 24
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High Series: T. Devins, 550; M. Smith, 539; L. Davis, 535.
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Senior Bowling

Flowers By Josie . . . . . 16 - 8
Stitches By Sue . . . . 14 - 10
Spike's Keg O' Nails . . 13 - 11
Sylvesters Sports . . . . 13 - 11
Bear's Den Pizza . . . 13 - 11
Grayling Pharmacy . . . . 10 - 14
Kicking Grass . . . . . 9 - 15
Lone Pine Restaurant . 8 - 4
High Series Men: P. Faustman, 524; O. Brantley, 499; L. Crampton, 488.
High Game Men: O. Brantley, 199; P. Faustman, 191; K. Louchart, 190.
High Series Women: N. Glasslee, 488; G. VanDeCasteele, 469; D. Doremire, 417.
High Game Women: G. VanDeCasteele, 180; N. Glasslee, 179; D. Doremire, 159.

Friday Mixed Doubles

Double Trouble . . . . . 17 - 7
IMM. . . . . 16 - 8
American Legion . . . . . 16 - 8
Moshier Auto Repair . . . . 15 - 9
4.F.I. . . . . 12 - 12
Strike "Four'ce". . . . . 10 - 14
New Guys and Gals. . . . 3 - 21
Bye . . . . . 1 - 3
High Series Men: D. Wallace, 604; D. Canfield, 601; M. Horton, 535.
High Game Men: D. Wallace, 237; D. Canfield, 227; M. Horton, 206.
High Series Women: W. Johnston, 478; K. Moshier & S. France, 473.
High Game Women: S. France, 177; M. Moshier, 171, K. Trudeau, 170.

Pioneer League

Grayling Chiro.Clinic . . . 14 - 6
South Side River Rats. . 13 - 7
Custom Interior . . . . . 11 - 9
Grayling Restaurant. . . . 10 - 10
AJD Forest Product. . . . 9 - 11
Chemical Bank . . . . . 8 - 12
Rochette's . . . . . 8 - 12
McDonald's . . . . . 7 - 13
High Series: T. Rock, 528; L. Golnick 506; J. Coors, 480.
High Game: T. Rock, 191; C. Jones, 190; L. Rutter, 188.

Northwood League

Carey & Jaskowski. . . . . 16 - 8
Choppers Spares . . . . . 15 - 9
USA Trailer . . . . . 13 - 11
Great Lk Mortgage . . . . . 13 - 11
Bud Lite Babes . . . . . 12 - 12
Warbler Chicks . . . . . 12 - 12
Hals Masonry . . . . . 11 - 13
Chaos . . . . . 2 - 22
High Series: P. Benardo, 456; C. Compton and D. Roman, 437.
High Game: P. Benardo, 181; T. Hellebuyck, 166; D. Argue, 163.

Recreation League

Grayling Nursing Center . . 18 - 6
Hawk Ridge Golf. . . . 15 - 9
American Legion . . . . . 13 - 11
Glen's Market . . . . . 12 - 12
Peterson Saw Service . . . 11 - 13
Mickey Perez CPA . . . 10 - 14
Coldwell Banker . . . . . 10 - 14
Woody Girls . . . . . 7 - 17
High Series: V. Balmes, 485; N. Glasslee, 474; L. Dellar, 470.
High Game: L. Dellar, 190; P. D'Amour, 172; N. Glasslee, 170.

National First

Denholm Chiropractic . . 28 - 14
Hart Pontiac-GMC. . . . . 26 - 16
Corky's Karaoke . . . . . 26 - 16
Legion Lanes. . . . . 23 - 19
Faustman's Insurance. . . . 22 - 20
Ole Barn . . . . . 20 - 22
Sawmill. . . . . 14 - 28
E-Z Built Homes . . . . . 9 - 33
High Series: P. Miller, 666; C. Brill, 654; J. Robideau, 565.
High Game: P. Miller, 248; C. Brill, 245; A. Angove and J. Robideau, 236.

Sunday Mixed Doubles

Fritch Electric . . . . . 29 - 13
Little Tyke Daycare. . . . 23 - 19
Weyerhaeuser . . . . . 22 - 20
Dennco . . . . . 19 - 23
AJD Forest Products . . . 18 - 24
Denny's Village Idiots . . 15 - 27
High Series Men: J. Meharg, 583; K. Slater, 564; S. Miller, 554.
High Game Men: J. Meharg, 212; S. Miller, 228; K. Slater, 210.
High Series Women: S. France, 479; M. Miller, 463; E. Slater 446.
High Game Women: M. Miller, 174; E. Slater, 172; S. France 163.

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings

Frederic Inn 38
Growlers Pub 31
Holiday Inn 30
Sawmill III 30
Sawmill I 26
Legion 25
5 Ball Run, Jeannie (Sawmill I), Vicki (Frederic Inn), Beth & Tonya (Growlers Pub).

Men's Standings

Legion 5
Two Track Inn #1 13
Two Track Inn #2 6
Growlers Pub 12
Frederic Inn 11
Riverside 7
Sawmill #1 13
Sawmill #2 5
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM, on November 17, 2004.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF LOVELLS, CRAWFORD County, Michigan, and are described as: LOTS 28 AND 29 CREEKVIEW NO. 1, TOWNSHIP OF LOVELLS, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 23, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 14, 2004
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald G. Ruehle, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Empire National Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 1996, and recorded on December 30, 1996 in Liber 423 on Page 189, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Two And 86/100 Dollars ($55,242.86), including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 10, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 5A: being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 28; thence North 89 degrees 15 minutes West, along the section line, 511.88 feet for a place of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 15 minutes West, 200.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 03 minutes East, 618.68 feet; thence South 89 degrees 18 minutes East, 200.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes West, 618.86 feet, to the place of beginning, Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 7, 2004
For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For The Huntington National Bank f/k/a Empire National Bank
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Football team moves to 7-1 with win at Charlevoix

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that we take pride in. Coach Sanchez and Coach DeHoog put hours in during Saturday and Sunday and come up with the best way to stop a team from doing what they want to do. We would not be where we are at without them."

"Our seniors are having a season that they deserve. Our wins are not happening by accident. We put in the time during June, July, and August and now it is all paying off. With one more win on Friday we will tie the all-time high for wins in a regular season at Grayling," Coach Brock said. "Also, if we finish 8-1, we could have a home play-off game. That would be something that the community would enjoy, to have our first ever home play-off game. We feed off of our home crowd and I know that they appreciate how hard we work."

The Vikings clinched a play-off berth with their sixth win on October 8, a 21-0 victory at Boyne City.

Grayling will wrap up its 2004 regular season with a home game vs. East Jordan this Friday. The contest starts at 7 p.m.

Week #6 Winning Games

1. Green Bay (48)
2. Philadelphia
3. Cleveland
4. Houston
5. Jacksonville
6. Buffalo
7. Atlanta
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9. NY Jets (36)
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12. Pittsburgh
13. Wisconsin
14. U of M (49)

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Game 5			Game 12		
Game 6			Game 13		
Game 7			Game 14		

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James R. Kitchen II, married and Kleda Kitchen, married joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc, Mortgagee, dated April 21, 2003, and recorded on May 6, 2003 in Liber 632 on Page 348, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Four And 11/100 Dollars ($71,634.11), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 3, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 40, Grayling Manor, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 30, 2004
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE PRIVATE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

DEFAULT having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by TIMOTHY J. ROSS and DONNA L. ROSS, husband and wife, presently of, 7139 Chaffin Road, Frederic, Michigan 49733, Mortgagors, to First Federal Savings & Loan Association n/k/a First Federal of Northern Michigan, Mortgagee, dated the 26th day of July, 2001, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 8th day of August, 2001, in Liber 0548 of County Records, pages 192-200, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Five and 85/100 Dollars ($63,785.85). And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 10th day of November, 2004, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance, Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 7.375% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel 26C: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 4 West; Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 26; thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East along the section line, 129.58 feet; thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes East, 656.52 feet to the Point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes East 656.52 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 08 seconds East 100 feet; thence South 00 degrees 50 minutes West 656.40 feet; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 04 seconds West 100 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Together with an Easement for ingress and egress over Parcel 26-D (Property lying South of Subject Property), as reserved in Deed recorded in Liber 196, Pages 474 and 475, Crawford County Records. This easement shall continue so long as the same may be necessary and required for ingress and egress to and from Parcel 26-C after which it shall cease and come to an end.The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

MORTGAGEE:
FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION n/k/a FIRST FEDERAL OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN
100 S. Second Avenue
Alpena, MI 49707
Dated: September 17, 2004
Keith Wallace, P21932
Isackson & Wallace, P.C.
Attorney for Mortgagee, First Federal of Northern Michigan
114 S. Second Avenue
Alpena, Michigan 49707

-30-7-14-21-28

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sean M. Kenyon and Tracie L. Kenyon, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to AmeriFirst Financial Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 30, 1999, and recorded on May 18, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 523, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated April 30, 1999 recorded on July 13, 1999 in Liber 485 on Page 591, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Seven And 35/100 Dollars ($58,157.35), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 10, 2004.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 16, Block 2, Karen Woods Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 44, Crawford County Records. And Also: Parcel A, the Southwest 1/2 of Lot 17, Block 2, Karen Woods Subdivision, a recorded Plat, as shown on Certificate of Survey recorded in Liber 140, Page 494, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 7, 2004
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #035889F01

-7-14-21-28

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 87TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FIRST NATIONAL ACCEPTANCE CO.,
Case No. 04-2536-SP1
Plaintiff,
V
ESTATE OF ALAN E. TROSELL, AND ALL HEIRS, DEVISESS, LEGATEES, AND ASSIGNS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE LEGALLY INCOMPETENT TO ACT ON THEIR OWN BEHALF AND HAVING AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY C/K/A 10818 DUPREY, ROSCOMMON, MI 48653, AND OCCUPANT.

Sotiroff & Abramczyk, P.C.
By: Keith A. Sotiroff (P42904)
Attorney for Plaintiff
30400 Telegraph Road, Ste 444
Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4541
248 642-6000

ORDER UNDER MCR 2.105 (I) PERMITTING SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION UNDER MCR 2.106 UPON ESTATE OF ALAN E. TROSELL AND OCCUPANT AND ORDERING SAID DEFENDANTS TO ANSWER.

At a session of said Court, held in the Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan, on:

October 6, 2004

Present: HON: Hunter, District Court Judge

Plaintiff having filed its Summons and Complaint after land contract forfeiture and having filed herewith its Motion under MCR 2.105(I) for an Order Permitting Service of Process by Publication under MCR 2.106 and for an Order to Answer, and the Court otherwise being fully advised in the premises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that service of process of this Order and Summons and Complaint heretofore filed, may be made upon said Defendants by publication of a copy of this Order once each week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper in circulation in Crawford County, Michigan, and by sending a copy of this Order to said Defendants at 10818 Duprey, Roscommon, MI 48653, and to John M. E. Trosell, at P.O. Box 123, Roscommon, MI 48653, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication.

-21-28-4

FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES)

Detroit Legal News, 1409 Allen Road, Suite B, Troy, MI 48083-4003; Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties-Phone (248) 577-6100

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Claudine K. Stocker, a married woman, of Crawford County, Michigan to LONG BEACH MORTGAGE COMPANY, dated the 7th day of December, A.D. 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and the State of Michigan on the 10th day of March, A.D. 1999, in Liber 476 of Crawford County Records, page 352, which said mortgage was thereafter on, to-wit the 25th day of March, A.D. 2004, assigned to JP Morgan Chase Bank, formerly known as Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee for Asset Backed Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-LB1, thru mesne assignments and recorded on April 5, 2004 in the office of Register of Deeds in Liber 667 for said County of Crawford Records, on page 144, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of $27,618.61 (Twenty seven thousand Six hundred eighteen dollars and Sixty one cents) including interest there on at 10.99% (Ten point nine nine) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of May, A.D. 2004, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Beaver Creek, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The South 1/2 of East 1/2 of West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; Section 17, Town 25 North, Range 3 West.

Tax ID: 050-017-015-040-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 15, 2004
WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820
Troy, Michigan 48084
WWR#03483017

-21-28-4-11

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by KENNETH P DEAN AND MICHELLE Y DEAN HUSBAND, AND WIFE to MORTGAGE CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, INC. ITS SUCCESSORS AND/OR ASSIGNS, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2000, and recorded on September 27, 2000 in Liber 518 on Page 511, in CRAWFORD county records, Michigan, and assigned by MESNE assignment to THE BANK OF NEW YORK, ACTING SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR EQCC TRUST 2001-2 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty four thousand four hundred seventy five and 49/100 Dollars ($44,475.49), including interest at 9.125% per annum, with adjustable rate rider.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 24, 2004.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan, and are described as: LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 3, OF ROFFEE'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 21, 2004
ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For Information please call:
(248) 540-7701

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, ACTING SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR EQCC TRUST 2001-2
Assignee of Mortgagee

-21-28-4-11

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

To all qualified electors of Crawford County:
The general election will be held Tuesday, November 2, 2004 for the purpose of electing candidates and voting on statewide, county & township proposals for the following:

President & Vice President of the United States
United States Representatives in congress - 1st District
Representative in State Legislature - 106th District
Members of The State Board of Education
Members of The University of Michigan Board of Regents
Members of The Michigan State University Board of Trustees
Members of Wayne State University Board of Governors
Prosecuting Attorney
Sheriff
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
County Treasurer
Road Commissioner
County Commissioner - Districts 1-7
Township Supervisor
Township Clerk
Township Treasurer
Township Trustees
Township Constable
Justice of the Supreme Court
Judge of the Court of Appeals - 4th District
Judge of the Circuit Court - 46th Circuit
Justices of The Supreme Court
Judge of The Court of Appeals
Judge of The Circuit Court

Proposal 04-1
A proposal to amend the State Constitution to require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law and certain new state lottery games.

Proposal 04-2
A proposal to amend the State Constitution to specify what can be recognized as a "marriage or similar union" for any purpose.

County Proposal - Crawford County Police Protection Millage Proposal:
Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general and ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposed in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Crawford, Michigan by 0.90 mill for a period of 5 years, 2005 through 2009, inclusive for the purpose of paying costs of police protection services to be provided through the County Sheriff's Department, including costs of 24-hour road patrol and Sheriff's Department staffing & equipment? The amount of revenue the County will collect if that millage is approved and levied by the County if that millage is approved and levied by the County in the first year is estimated to be $457,105. The proposal is for a new additional millage the revenue from which would be disbursed to the County of Crawford.

Beaver Creek Proposal - Shall the previous voted fixed millage rate authorized at 1.00 mill which has been reduced to .9701 mills due to the required Headlee Reduction be increased by .0299 mill for levy on taxable value within Beaver Creek Township in the years 2004 through 2007, inclusive for township operating purposes; which levy will raise in the first year of levy the sum of $2,315?

The polls of said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2004.

Voting Precinct Locations:

101 Beaver Creek Twp. Office, 8888 S. Grayling Rd. Grayling, MI 49738
201 Frederic Twp Office, 7565 W. Co Rd. 612, Frederic, MI 49733
302,304,305,306 & 307 Grayling Twp. Office, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738
401 Lovells Twp. Office, 8405 Twin Bridge Rd., Grayling, MI 49738
501 Maple Forest Twp. Office, 8802 N. Peterson Rd., Grayling, MI 49738
601 South Branch Twp. Office, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653
701 Grayling City Office, 1020 City Blvd., Grayling, MI 49738

Sandra Moore
County Clerk

PUBLIC ACCURACY NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 2, 2004 General Election has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 26, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the election ballot counters being used to tabulate the results of the election, count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk
October 11, 2004

STATE OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC NOTICE OF NONMETALLIC MINERALS, SAND, GRAVEL, COBBLES, BOULDERS, AND CLAY DIRECT LEASES

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will direct lease State-owned nonmetallic mineral, sand and gravel rights. These parcels are *existing* State sand and gravel pits currently under permit to various county road commissions. They are being converted from mineral permits to leases in an effort to improve management and reclamation. The lands under consideration for leasing are located in the following areas:

2003-6: "Bald Hill Clay Pit", NE1/4 NW1/4 FRL and SE1/4 NW1/4 FRL, Section 7, T27N, R1W, Lovells Township, Crawford County, 57.52 more or less acres.

2003-24: "Vondette Pit", NW1/4 NE1/4, Section 22, T29N, R2E, Albert Township, Montmorency County, 40 more or less acres.

Written comments by interested parties should be sent to the attention of Leonard Espinosa, DNR, Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing MI 48909-7952, or via e-mail to espinosl@michigan.gov. Written comments relative to the leasing of any description must be received by Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management at the address specified above NO LATER THAN December 22, 2004.

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FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST
FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
October 22, 1981

The $8 million expansion renovation project at Mercy Hospital is nearly completed. A new wing was added and parts of the older buildings were renovated. Half a million dollars for the project was raised through local contributions.

The King and Queen for the 1981 Grayling High School Homecoming will be chosen from Tracy Fagan, Dan Lucksted, Jerry Norman, Thane Doremire, Pam McClain, Jill Behkle, Jody Yoder and Mika Fijolek.

Two park and recreation specialists from Michigan State University, Ted Haskell and Lou Torbik, joined Duanne Swift, Vid Roe and Roy Spangler in touring the Grayling Fish Hatchery. The two professors from MSU will be helping the Grayling Fish hatchery Preservation Committee develop plans to turn the abandoned hatchery into a self-supporting tourist site. The committee hopes to obtain a use-permit from the DNR next spring and begin cleaning the raceways.

October 9, a beautiful historical marker was placed at the site of the area where David Shoppenagon once lived on the banks of the AuSable River. It is a grand finale of a project started a couple of years ago by Steve Southard and assisted by Elmer L. Fenton. The following people and organizations are credited with the funding of this endeavor: Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Akers, Mildred V. Blaine, Crawford County Historical Society, Grayling Insurance Agency (Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rasmusson), Elaine Harland, Betty J. Milliken, Ingebord Raae, Rays Canoe Livery (Southards) and Sorenson Agency and Associates (William O. Sorenson).

The Grayling Youth Booster Club officers and board members voted September 2, at their regular board meeting to save the athletic program in the Grayling school system. They have pledged $20,000 to the athletic programs for the coming 81-82 season.

David Failing graduated from Ohio Institute of Technology in Columbus, Ohio, on October 16, 1981. Attending the ceremonies were his parents, Jim and Pat Failing, and his grandmother, Mrs. Ann Thompson. David received his electronics technician degree.

46 Years Ago
October 23, 1958

Building construction is now under way on General Telephones central office expansion building in Grayling, announced Mrs. J.W. Wiltse, Roscommon District Manager. According to building plans, the new $14,000 building should near completion in December and will relieve the presently overcrowded Grayling exchange.

The state Conservation Commission approved two moves at its October meeting which commemorate Michigan's once mighty stands of white pine. A pine stump preserve was dedicated at the former townsite of Deward, northwest of Frederic, and a nature study area of virgin timber and grassland on Bois Blanc Island. the Deward tract is 43 acres in size and has long been a part of the AuSable state forest. It will be appropriately marked and kept as nearly as possible in its present condition.

The Crawford County Board of Supervisors in their regular October session last week levied a total tax of $216,579.22, this is a contrast to $208,394.00 in 1958 and $192,274.00 in 1957.

The David Hansons of Lansing, announce the birth of Scott Michael on October 21. He weighed 6 lbs, 14 oz.

69 Years Ago
October 24, 1935

Engineers connected with the installation of Grayling's new waterworks system are loud in their praises for the fine quality of water. And it is now ready for use for all purposes. Temperature tests showed the water as it came from the wells with a temperature of 35 degrees above zero, to be only three degrees above freezing. It is about as near to freezing temperatures as water can be and not become ice.

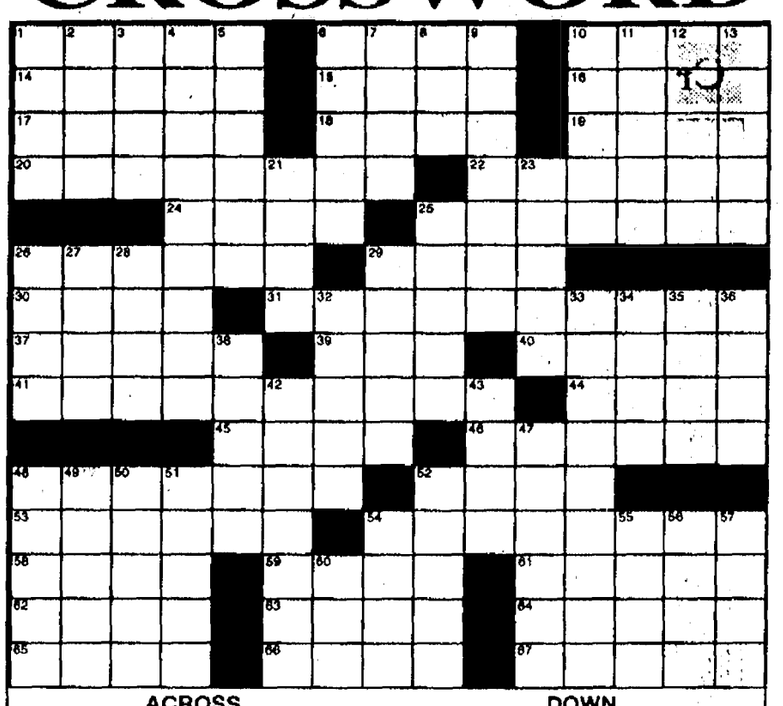
The annual meeting of the Grayling Winter Sports Association was held last night at the courthouse, Dr. C. R. Keyport, president, presided and the financial report of the year's activities was read by the treasurer. Election of officers was held for ensuing year and Roy Trudgeon was elected President. Don Reynolds was elected vice-president, Charles E. Moore, secretary, and Wilfred Laurant was re-elected treasurer.

Six more months and the township road system will be a relic of a bygone era in Michigan. Funeral services for the township road, one of the oldest of Michigan institutions, will take place April 1, 1936. At that time county road commissions throughout the state will take over the last parcel of township road mileage remaining in the respective counties. When the township road system is abolished, there will be 77,619 miles of county roads in the state, according to figures furnished by Murray D. VanWagoner. This represents an increase of 60,317 miles over the mileage of 1931 when the county road commission had jurisdiction over 17,301 miles of highway. The depression brought a death certificate for the township road system. Property values slumped and the township road became a tax burden which the people could not stand. The 1931 legislature wrote the death certificate when it enacted the McNutt law directing the counties to absorb the township roads by 1936 by taking over 20 percent of this mileage each year.

92 Years Ago
October 24, 1912

The village of Frederic suffered a serious loss by fire last Thursday afternoon. The conflagration broke out in one of the partitions in a small ground floor room of the Frederic House. It was about 2 o'clock that the fire was discovered and within an hour the entire building was consumed together with Craven's barber shop and the residence of Daniel Bussure. The Frederic House was the property of B.J. Callahan and was covered by insurance.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. To make amends, as for a sin.
6. Former name of Belem.
10. Trace on an oscilloscope.
14. Heavy radioactive gaseous element formed by the decay of radium.
15. _, first solo album was All Money Is Legal.
16. _ Fabian, second album was Carpe Diem.
17. Synonym for burden.
18. Mixture of fog and smoke.
19. Kane and _, novel by Jeffrey Archer.
20. To this.
22. Member of a select Greek infantry unit often serving as a palace guard.
24. Gatherings of people for specific purposes.
25. Expressed through a scornful smile.
26. Burns with hot liquid.
29. _ Devers, 1992 gold medal winner.
30. Doug _, English middle-distance Olympic gold medal runner.
31. Streams of sand projected by compressed air.
37. Parent of Teucer.
39. Hawaiian food made of kneaded, cooked and pounded taro root.
40. Blazing.
41. Indulged in reverie while awake.
44. To blow a horn in short blasts.
45. Boundary.
46. Stands on ends.
48. To jump up to one's feet suddenly.
52. One that is of equal standing with another.
53. Island in the windward group of the Society Islands in French Polynesia.
54. Mark indicating excellence.
58. To embellish with ribbons or lace.
59. Made of ebony.
61. Fair return in goods, services or money for something exchanged.
62. Nearly extinct language of Australia.
63. Small, loose grains of worn rock.
64. Country in southern Europe.
65. Cereal grasses cultivated for the grain.
66. Loose outergarment worn in public by ancient Roman citizens.
67. Sudden starts aside as from fright.

DOWN

1. Curved structure spanning an opening and serving as a support.
2. Seed of a vetch.
3. Quality stimulating the nose.
4. Bleeding from the nose.
5. Strived to attain.
6. Times before the present.
7. Short for ammunition.
8. Spanish for "river."
9. Fixed star in the constellation Pegasus.
10. To burn brightly.
11. Specific task.
12. _ Worth, stage and screen actress.
13. Made pale.
21. Mike _, lead singer of Social Distortion.
23. _ Munn, Native American historical fiction writer.
25. "_ and Maude," poem by Gwendolyn Brooks.
26. Moved smoothly.
27. Concluding passage of an movement in music.
28. Gone.
29. Fairy tale dwarflike creature who lived underground and guarded treasures.
32. At a distance.
33. Period immediately following a disastrous event.
34. Variant of Zion.
35. Past tense of tread.
36. Comes to an end.
38. Thomas _, co-inventor of the phantoscope.
42. Most supernatural.
43. Hard-fought contest between two opponents.
47. Nickname for Elvis Presley, Elvis the _.
48. Utmost point.
49. To turn aside something.
50. Former administrative division of Great Britain, equivalent to a county.
51. Measurable periods during which an action continues.
52. Bearlike mammal of the mountains of Tibet and China.
54. Commercial establishment of foreign trade in China.
55. Acronym for American Library Association of Ohio.
56. Prescribed guide of conduct.
57. Regulates musical pitches.
60. Acronym for Boeing Aerospace Operations.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Bistro Apple Pizza

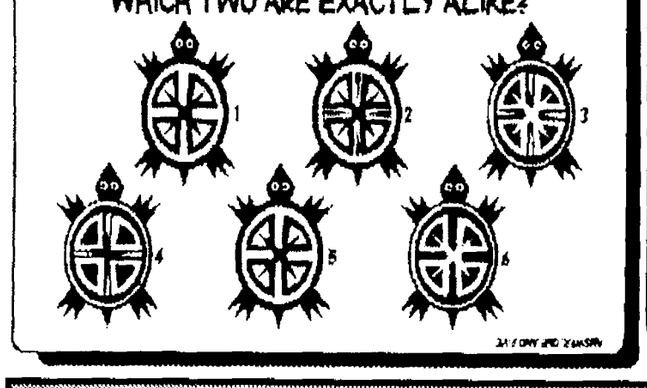
2 tsp. garlic, minced
2 Tbsp. olive oil
1 12-inch prepared pizza dough crust
2 cups fresh spinach, coarsely chopped
1 1/2 cups Red Delicious, Golden Delicious, or Granny Smith apples cored, peeled and thinly sliced (or chopped)
1 cup shredded low-fat, part skim Mozzarella cheese
1 cup crumbled Blue, Gorgonzola or Roquefort cheese
1/2 cup shredded parmesan cheese
1 tsp. dried leaf oregano

METHOD:

For each pizza: Heat oven to 450° F. Saute garlic in olive oil over medium heat for 1-2 minutes. Remove from heat.
Brush olive oil blend onto pizza crust.
Distribute spinach evenly onto crust.
Sprinkle on apples.
Blend mozzarella cheese, blue cheese and parmesan cheese. Distribute evenly over apples. Sprinkle on oregano. Bake for 12-15 minutes or until cheese boils and crust is brown.

..Kidding..

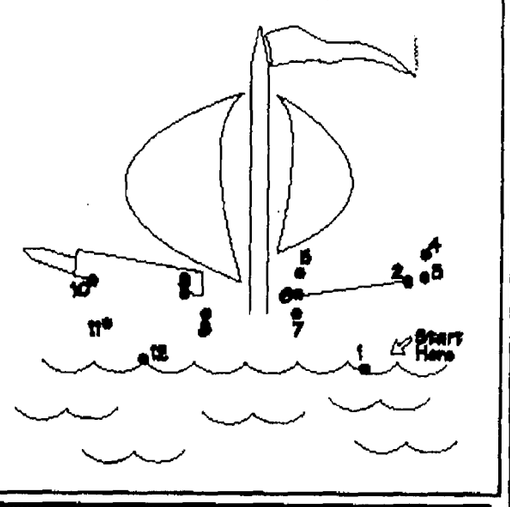
FIND THE TWINS
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



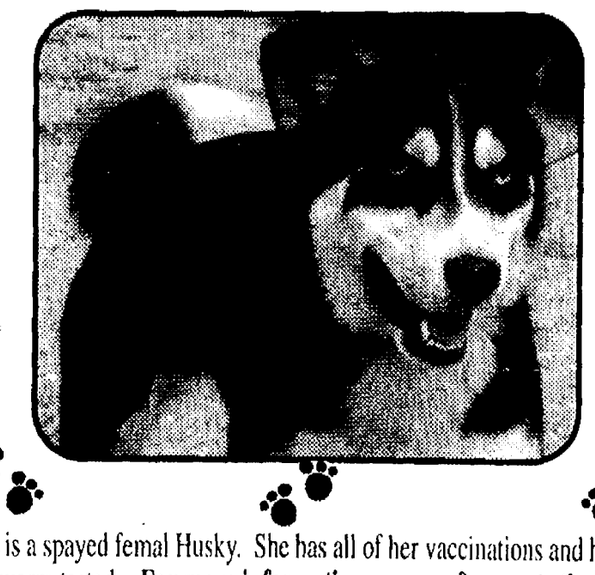
DID YOU KNOW ??

Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying!

connect the dots



ADOPT A PET



Skye is a spayed femal Husky. She has all of her vaccinations and has been heartworm tested. For more information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: www.ascc.petfinder.com

Help build a new shelter by purchasing a "Driving into the Future Raffle" ticket for a chance to win a brand new 2005 Dodge Durango! Tickets are $100.00 each and only 2,000 will be sold. Anyone who would like a ticket should send a check or money order for the amount of tickets requested to: Animal Shelter Crawford County, Raffle Tickets, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738. Tickets are also on sale at the Avalanche, Riverland Gear, The Medicine Shoppe and the shelter

Two barrels have been placed near the gates of the shelter to receive donations of return-deposit cans and bottles. The new 2005 Pet and Dog Calendars are on sale at the Avalanche for a donation of $5 each.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at 508 1/2 Huron Street *(M-72 East)* in Grayling
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall
Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. and Holidays 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

HOROSCOPES
For the Week of October 21, 2004

CAPRICORN — December 22–January 19
Eavesdropping could get you in trouble this week. Plug your ears and steer clear of other people's conversations. A news piece catches your eye.

ARIES — March 21–April 19
You're at the end of your rope with a family member. Take some time out and put your anger to work on something constructive.

CANCER — June 22–July 22
Prepare to be bombarded with questions about a recent event. Don't say anything unless you have the proof to back it up.

LIBRA — September 23–October 22
A friend's obsession begins to take its toll. Intervene and encourage them to seek professional help. A business matter is rectified.

AQUARIUS — January 20–February 18
A relative's business deal turns out well. Celebrate the good news. A home improvement project requires considerable thought and preparation.

TAURUS — April 20–May 20
Avoid conflicts of all kinds. You are too busy at home and work to play peacemaker. A small gift renews your spirits.

LEO — July 23–August 22
You're plagued with doubts regarding a family member's sincerity. Do a little snooping and find out their true feelings.

SCORPIO — October 23–November 21
Obstacles are not a problem this week. You can overcome any odds. An acquaintance invites you to a party. Have fun!

PISCES — February 19–March 20
Relationships are tested this week. Keep your emotions in check and your chin up. A letter provides insight into a dilemma.

GEMINI — May 21–June 21
Success is yours this week. Not only will you tackle challenges with ease but you'll resolve several problems. A small gift goes a long way in repairing a friendship.

VIRGO — August 23–September 22
Finances cause concern this week. Review your investments and make certain they're secure. An important date draws near.

SAGITTARIUS — November 22–December 21
You tend to wear your heart on your sleeve. Put your armor on and prepare for a friend to say some unkind things.

WEATHER
Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Rain
10/13	65	29	0
10/14	64	32	0
10/15	50	45	0.08
10/16	50	39	0.51
10/17	42	32	0.59
10/18	41	35	0.11
10/19	45	33	0

Extended Forecast
(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 66	High 72	High 61	High 61	High 60	High 48
Low 45	Low 41	Low 36	Low 33	Low 31	Low 43
Cloudy	Showers	Few Showers	Few Showers	Scattered Showers	[illegible]

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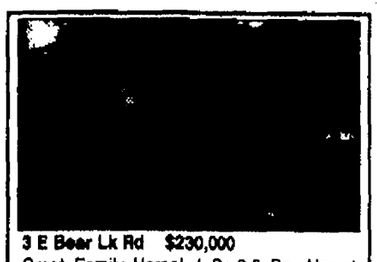
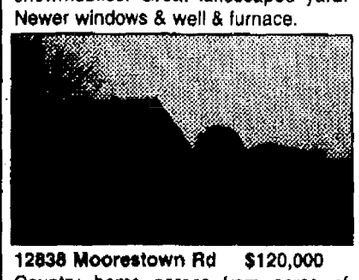
Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate



3 E Bear Lk Rd $230,000
Great Family Home! 4 Br 2.5 Ba. Almost 3,000 Sq Ft of Living space. Many Custom Features. Within Walking distance to Bear Lake Access & Diamond Head Trail.

5781 M-72 $139,900
Nice home with 5 Acres. Attached breezeway & Garage. Extra storage area to park a tractor or 4 wheelers & snowmobiles. Great landscaped yard. Newer windows & well & furnace.



12838 Moorestown Rd $120,000
Country home across from acres of State Land. Hunting and Recreational fun! 3 BR 2 BA Saltbox Home On 2+Acres. Loft area. Finished basement. 30 X 24 Garage. Great home in quiet area. Come and see today!

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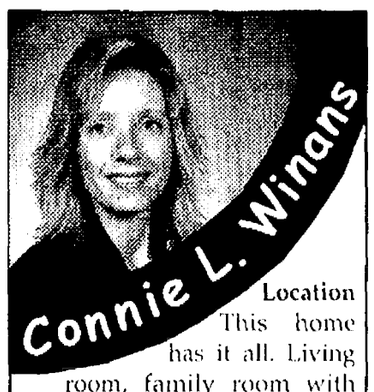
ROSCOMMON 3 BEDROOM 2 bath 1400 square feet home. I'll pay $5,000 of buyer's loan cost. $65,000, 359.73 payment. 517-543-3057. (-14-21-28-4-11/1)



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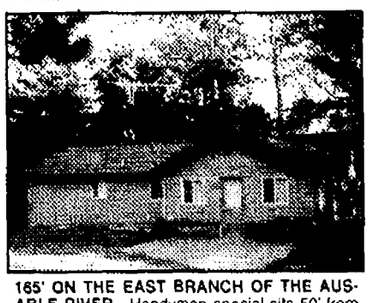


165' ON THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSABLE RIVER. Handyman special sits 50' from the rivers edge with picturesque setting offering 2.5 acres. Cathedral ceiling in family room with 2 skylights. Brick fireplace. Detached garage with extra slab for addition and vinyl shed. Cement patio with stone design into entrance of cottage. **CS-1872 $120,000**

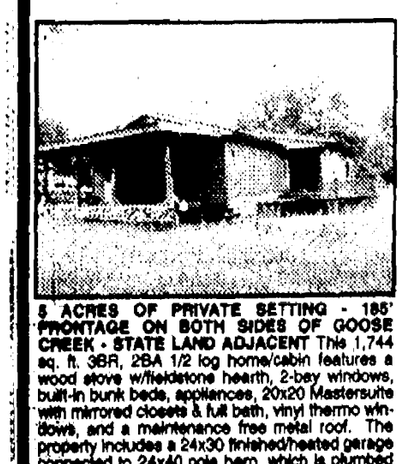
IDEAL LOCATION, excellent retail exposure on I-75 Business Loop, exceptional value below SEV, rustic wood siding, tons of potential, large paved parking lot, separate utilities, meeting room in lower level, and full basement with outside entrance. **CH-2014 $187,500**

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH home offers 1056 square feet and detached garage. In the village of Roscommon. Sits at end of a semi-private road. Property also includes a cabin that is currently being rented out. Great Investment Property. Roscommon area. **$79,900.00 CS-1852**

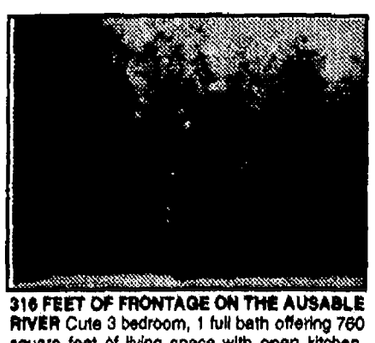
5 ACRES OF HARDWOODS ACROSS FROM STATE LAND Secluded setting yet blacktop road and not far from Higgins Lake. Beautiful octagon design, 1,054 sq. ft., 2BR home with walk-out basement features Anderson windows throughout including two picture windows, Jenaire range top in kitchen island, 2-car garage detached garage and appliances. **CH-2016 $99,500**

PRIVATE 2 ACRES ADJACENT TO STATE LAND Private setting on 2-Acres located among beautiful mature hardwoods, adjacent to state land, and lake to lake hiking trails. This 1,348 sq. ft. 3 BR, 2BA freshly painted home features a full basement, 16x20 custom sauna, vinyl replacement windows, 8x8 cement block root cellar, and 2 storage buildings. **CH-2011 $119,500**

A 15 ACRE RETREAT FOR ALL SEASONS Chalet with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Open floor plan with Pergo floors downstairs. Kitchen offers quality oak cabinets and snack bar. Vinyl thermo windows, drywall throughout. Brick fireplace in living room. Outside water and electric. Gravel drive. County maintained Road. **CS-1800 $112,000**



5 ACRES OF PRIVATE SETTING - 185' FRONTAGE ON BOTH SIDES OF GOOSE CREEK - STATE LAND ADJACENT This 1,744 sq. ft. 3BR, 2BA 1/2 log home/cabin features a wood stove w/fieldstone hearth, 2-bay windows, built-in bunk beds, appliances, 20x20 Mastersuite with mirrored closets & full bath, vinyl thermo windows, and a maintenance free metal roof. The property includes a 24x30 finished/heated garage connected to 24x40 pole barn, which is plumbed for a bath & includes a work bench & covered porch. Canoe to the Manistee River from your backyard! **CH-2010 $199,900**



316 FEET OF FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER Cute 3 bedroom, 1 full bath offering 760 square feet of living space with open kitchen, dining, living room. Living room and one bedroom has knotty pine walls. Comes completely furnished. Nice mixture of trees on the property. Campfire pit in back with nice walkway to river. Close to snowmobile trails and hunting. **CS-2017 $70,500**

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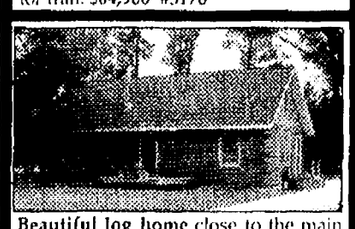
Stunning panoramic views of Lake Margrethe. Beautiful setting on the lake offers 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,720 square foot home with storage galore! Sandy bottom frontage with stone seawall, wrap around decking and awesome sunsets! #5336 $319,500



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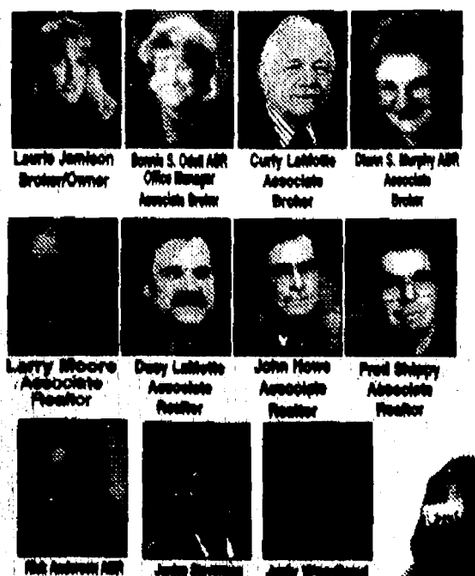

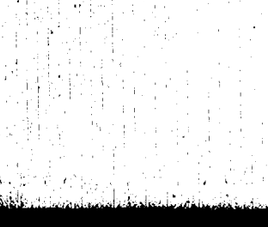

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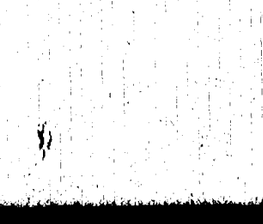

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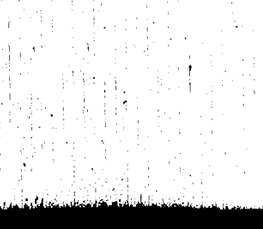

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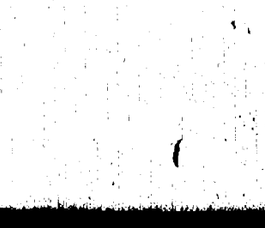

COZY HOME ON 6.1 ACRES Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, knotty pine interior, 24'x30' attached garage and 24'x24' detached and heated garage with 220 hook-up. Wall air conditioner, newer hot water heater, flower gardens, and much, much more. All on 6.1 acres. **$87,900 #232108**

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FOR SALE: 1994 Nomad Limited 5th wheel with hookup for pickup $6,000 or best offer. 989-348-4618, after 5 pm. (-14-21/5)

8 MONTH OLD YELLOW LAB puppy. Male with papers. $300. 821-5319. (-10/21/04tf/5)

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FOR SALE 89 Ford Ranger, $475. Snowblower elec. start, $525. Gas stove, $75. Wall furnace, $200. Space heater oil, $200. 989-344-2270. (-10/21/04tf/5)

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6. Wanted

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7. Miscellanous

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SKYLINE RESTAURANT'S new fall hours. Friday 4:30 - 9. Saturday noon - 9. Sunday noon - 9. Saturday special steak & shrimp $16.95. Closed Monday through Thursday. 275-5445. (-21-28/7)

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8. Announcements

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7. Miscellanous

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8. Announcements

DO YOU WANT to play hockey on a team? Skate North: Kalkaska Minor Hockey Association is registering players in 2nd thru 12th grades for the 2004-2005 season. Practice is starting soon and games will begin in November. Call Helen for more information: (231)258-8987 or go to www.skatenorth.org to print a registration form. (-21/8)

CLUB KENO & PULL TABS at the Gray Rock Cafe! The Gray Rock Cafe has given away over $145,000 to its patrons. Plus one loyal patron was a $4,000 winner! Join the fun at 2123 Industrial Drive, Grayling. (-05/06/04tf/8)

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THE BANJO PICKER will be playing at the Sawmill November 2, November 9. 7 - 11 pm. (-21tygd/8)

ADVERTISING DEADLINES: Regular Display - 1/2 to full page, 5 p.m. Thursday, All others 5 p.m. Friday. Classified Display - 12 noon Monday, Classified by the word - 12 noon Tuesday. These deadlines may change with notice due to holidays or special publication. (989) 348-6811

HALLOWEEN PARTY at the Sawmill. October 31. 9 - 1. Karaoke, prizes for costumes. (-21tygd/8)

7. Miscellaneous

Crossword Answers

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RED HATTERS coming to Frederic. If you are 50 years and older. Organizational meeting October 28, 7:30 pm, Frederic Township Hall. (-21-28/8)

VOTE SHAWN KRAYCS Grayling Township Trustee. Paid for by candidate, 3085 Rasmus Drive, Grayling. (-21-28/8)

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10. Garage Sales

MOVING SALE Saturday, October 23. Everything must go. 72 West to Viking Way Unit 7, behind township hall. 10 - ? (-21/10)

GRAYLING SPORTSMENS Club 6990 Old Lake Road. Something for everyone. October 21 - 22. 9 to 5. Near Hanson Hills. (-21/10)

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11. Automotive

1987 F-150 103,000 miles. 348-2885. (-21tygd/11)

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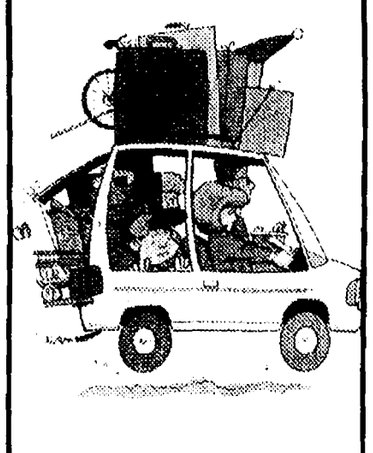

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Happy 20th Anniversay Mark

9. Personals

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PLEASE VOTE FOR
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BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
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NOVEMBER 2, 2004

Paid for by the candidate 10940 S. Grayling Rd, Roscommon

8. Announcements

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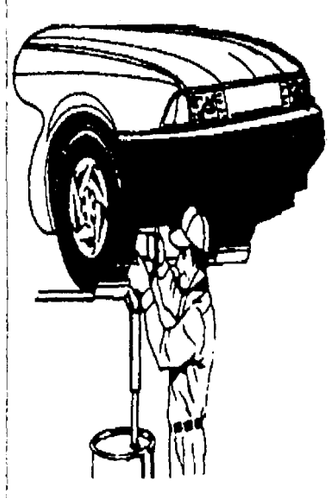

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AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION SERVICE

$59.95

- Drain & replace transmission fluid
- Replace filter screen
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- Computer balance 4 wheels
- Rotate tires
- Inspect front pads & rotors
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GM Goodwrench Service **$34.95**

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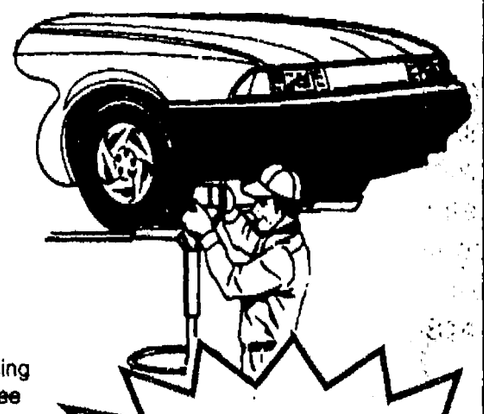

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